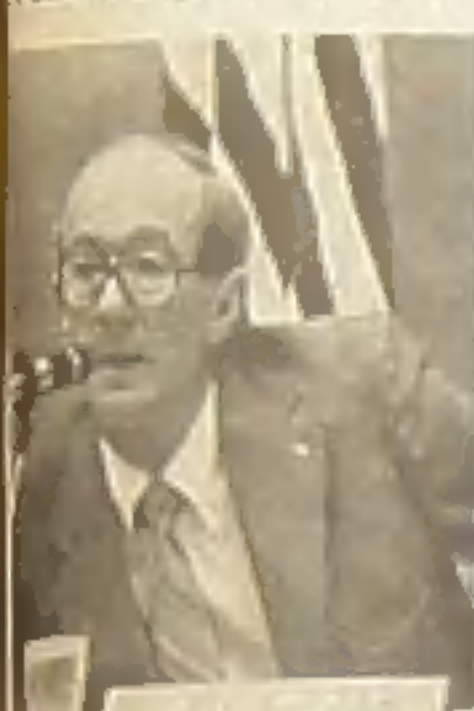




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## House committee proposes funding for Reynolds Hall

Renovation and expansion of Reynolds Hall is one step closer to reality for Missouri Southern after a House budget committee recommended state funding for the project yesterday.

The committee recommendations relate to House Bill 1017, which deals with appropriations for capital improvements. Under the recommendations, Missouri Southern would receive \$1.9 million in state funding for the Reynolds Hall project, as well as an additional \$80,000 earmarked for the resurfacing of the Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium floor.

Conversations between College officials and members of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education yesterday confirmed the news. Originally, only maintenance and repair monies were expected to be appropriated to Southern this year.

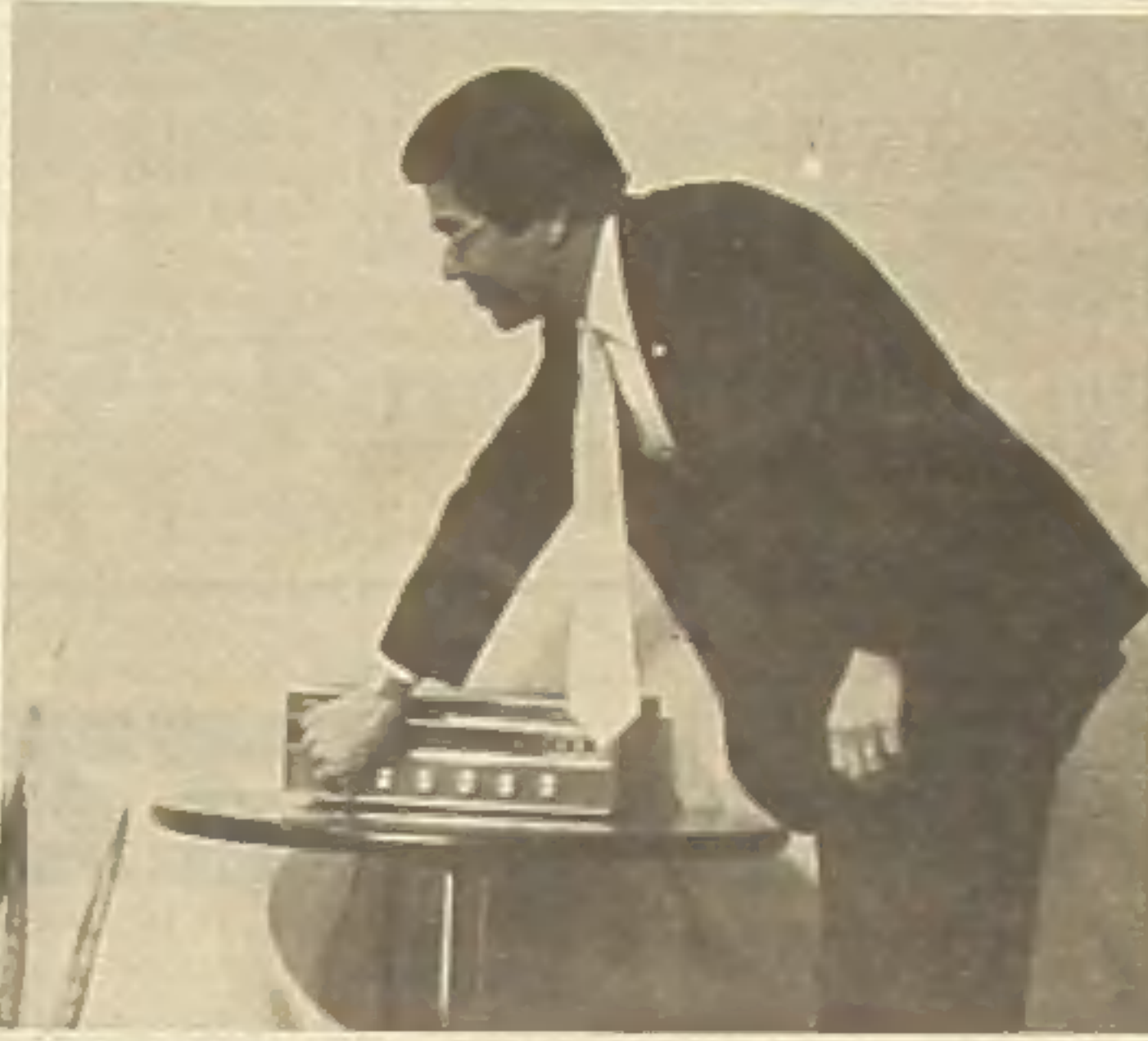
Dr. Julio Leon, College president, said much of the results could be attributed to Rep. Roy Cagle (R-Joplin).

According to conversations between a Senate information office official and Sen. Richard Webster (R-Cardinal), the figures in the recommendation say the total costs for the Reynolds Hall project are \$2.4 million. Missouri Southern is to provide \$500,000 in local funds, and the state will fund the remaining \$1.9 million.

The committee recommendations will now go before the House for approval. From there, the measure will go before the Senate, and once the two legislative bodies agree, finally the Governor.

The project involves extensive renovation of the structure, which is nearly 20 years old. An addition is also planned, possibly on the front of the current structure, for additional laboratories and classrooms.

If the recommendations are passed by the state, it would be the third item for new construction in as many years for Missouri Southern, following the Matthews Hall Phase II project and the addition to Gene Taylor Hall.



(Top) William Putnam presents the station to the students, then (above) College President Julio Leon flips the switch to put KXMS-FM on the air.

## Leon puts station on the air

Flipping a switch to conclude a dedication ceremony, College President Julio Leon officially put KXMS-FM on the air shortly after 10 p.m. Saturday.

JoAnn Hollis, president of the Communications Club, opened the ceremony by stressing the opportunities provided by KXMS and Missouri Southern Television.

"The station is significant to the College in more than one way," she said. "They provide education for students and serve as a link from the College to the community."

Hollis, calling the station a unique "hands-on" opportunity for students, expressed her gratitude to the College and community.

"We owe a lot of appreciation and thanks for your support and your contributions," she said. "As students we are grateful for the opportunity you are giving us."

Calling KXMS an "oasis" in the "vast wasteland" of radio and television, Dr. Robert Clark, general manager of the station, said its test signal had been received as far away as Lamar.

"What has taken place here has provided a freedom of choice for the citizens of southwest Missouri," Clark said. "And judging from the calls we have received during the past two weeks, we have been testing our signal, I can see there is a great deal of appreciation for what we are doing."

Patricia Kluthe, assistant professor of communications, read a speech prepared by Richard W. Massa, head of the communications department. Massa, who was hospitalized the day before, was unable to attend the dedication. His statement expressed that KXMS was "a gift to the people of the area."

Massa also thanked stations KMOS in Warrensburg and KOTV in Tulsa for cooperating with the College. Their cooperation made it possible for the Federal Communications Commission to grant a license to KXMS.

"Without their cooperation, so readily given, we wouldn't be here today," read Massa's statement.

William Putnam, president-elect of Southern's Board of Regents, was presented the radio station on behalf of the department, and presented it back to the students, saying he believed it to be a valuable tool in education.

Leon called the signing-on of the station a "momentous occasion for southwest Missouri and Missouri Southern. We are saying to the public that our basic desire is to achieve excellence in the classroom—that the faculty is to foster and promote scholarship and that we are mindful of the fact that we are a public institution. We should have public service, and we are fulfilling the public service part of our mission."

Leon called the music to be broadcast the "Top 40 of the last 400 years" and said "We want to make the establishing of this radio station and the music it will play a small token of our appreciation to all the support we received from friends."

## Faculty will discuss new grievance plan

Tate: 'An important piece of legislation'

Approving a grievance policy for Missouri Southern faculty will be a priority item when all faculty members meet Thursday, April 17.

The grievance policy is now in the hands of the policy committee, and will be forwarded to all faculty members this week.

"This has been in the works for a year now," said David Tate, head of the grievance committee. "It is an important piece of legislation. Our next meeting may be the most important of the year."

Proposals to add three courses to Southern's curriculum were passed at Monday's Faculty Senate meeting.

Research Methods in Biology will give students background in upper level research.

"We have a lot of freshmen and sophomores who want research work," said Wayne Stebbins, assistant professor of biology. "It is a prerequisite for doing research."

Physical Science 120 will be offered for education majors desiring certification to teach junior high or for secondary majors in another field to get additional certification. Persons already teaching grades 7-9 can also take the class to meet state certification requirements.

"The state will not take Physical Science to meet the requirement," said Marion Sloan, assistant professor of physics. "It has to be called 'physics.'"

The main difference is that the new course will be more oriented toward physics than physical science. The class will not meet the general education requirement, but will count toward graduation.

Microcomputer Application and Management will be offered to replace another course, and will use hardware and operating systems.

## College responds well Tornado alarms sound Monday night

Night class and dormitory students witnessed a bit of excitement Monday night when three tornado warnings were issued for the Joplin area.

The first alarm sounded at 8:34, with sirens sounding again at 7:10 and 7:16 p.m.

At the time, night classes were in session in all buildings on campus. Wayne Johnston, director of security, came back on campus to assist the security officer on duty.

"We have a civil defense weather tone monitor in our office that is connected with the sirens," Johnston said. "We heard it on campus and on the monitor, and went to each building and made sure the students were in the basements."

Considering this is the first time Johnston has had to handle a tornado warning on campus, he said things went "very smoothly."

According to Dr. Paul Shipman, vice president for business affairs, the buildings on campus are sturdy in the event of severe weather.

"It has been acknowledged for years that these buildings are so sturdy the public can even come out in the event of an emergency," Shipman said. "The buildings are very storm-resistant."

According to Shipman, the area which most university officials are the dormitories, since they are a 24-hour operation of the College.

"The S.A.'s [staff assistants] ran around to the dorms and informed the students of the situation," said Doug Carnahan, assistant dean of students. "We also got everyone out of the annexes, since they aren't very sturdy. Those in Webster and South Hall went to the first floor hallways, and those in the apartments went to the basement of Building B."

According to Carnahan, when a tornado is actually sighted, the alarm is sounded again and the students are urged to move to the first floors.

Shipman said faculty and students in the area consider the warnings as serious and normally take necessary precautions.

"We in this part of the country have respect for tornadoes, especially after a student was killed in the early 1970's from a tornado which struck the campus."

Next week, The Chart will examine in detail the precautions taken at Missouri Southern in the event of severe weather.

## Today's edition

Today's edition of The Chart is the largest ever published in the newspaper's history.

The 44-page edition comes in three sections, including the second publication of The Chart Magazine and the sixth publication of Acolon, the student literary magazine.

The Chart Magazine is devoted to an in-depth analysis of the farming crisis in Missouri. Staff members travelled to Jefferson City, Columbia, and Nevada, and visited many area farms and businesses in presenting an objective view of the situation.

The Cardage Press also is publishing The Chart Magazine as a supplement to today's afternoon edition.

The Chart plans to publish another three-section edition May 1, which will end the semester's publication.

## Computer science program strives to keep up to date

[Editor's Note: Following is the fourth in a series of reports of long-range plans for department and programs at the College.]

By Mark J. Ernstmann  
Campus Editor

With the ever-changing technology in the field of computers, the computer science program at Missouri Southern has a full-time job just keeping up to date.

"There's just something about this field that it won't hold still," said Dr. John Cragin, director of the computer science program. "It's changing every minute."

Due to the modification that is taking place, Cragin is working on implementing some new programs and courses for the students.

"One current thing is getting a bachelor of science degree in education in the computer field for secondary school," Cragin said. "We won't need any new equipment or facilities, but we will need to add a new course in methods."

"Barring unforeseen obstacles, it should be in the next catalog," said Cragin. "There are some bureaucratic obstacles, but I feel somewhat confident it will pass."

The degree in computer science on a secondary level is not a new idea. The state of Missouri is fond of the idea, and if Southern's proposal passes, it will be the first in the state. Other states have tried the program, but have met with little success. Cragin believes it will be beneficial for Southern and area high schools.

"They usually retread other teachers to teach computer courses," he said. "This is a discipline that people don't recognize."

Another new upper division course being added is one that will deal with industry standards. It will cover the areas of selecting hardware, software, and other equipment essential to computer science. This course has been approved for the new Southern catalog.

A 400-level course is also in the works for majors in the program. It is designed to expose students to making formal presentations, and also keeping them updated with equipment.

In the long haul, Cragin said he would like to establish a series of workshops that would serve as a tool for maintaining currency with the equipment.

"There is always that problem present of keeping updated," Cragin said. "It's expensive, but with continued support, we can keep up. The faculty must update themselves continuously."

As for the strong points of the program, Cragin is quick to point out the "outstanding physical set-up" at the College.

"We have better than most universities and colleges," he said. "In fact, I have had students and faculty members from major universities who marvel at our set-up. They say it is better than any they have seen."

The program currently has four computer laboratories in Matthews Hall. One is claimed by the business program, and another will be in use upon the completion of the Matthews Hall addition.

Future emphasis will be placed on keeping the existing equipment up to date. According to Cragin, he would like to see more graphics and color monitors.

Another strong point Cragin touched on was his faculty. He believes that while the faculty members may not be highly credentialed, they are appropriate for a four-year institution.

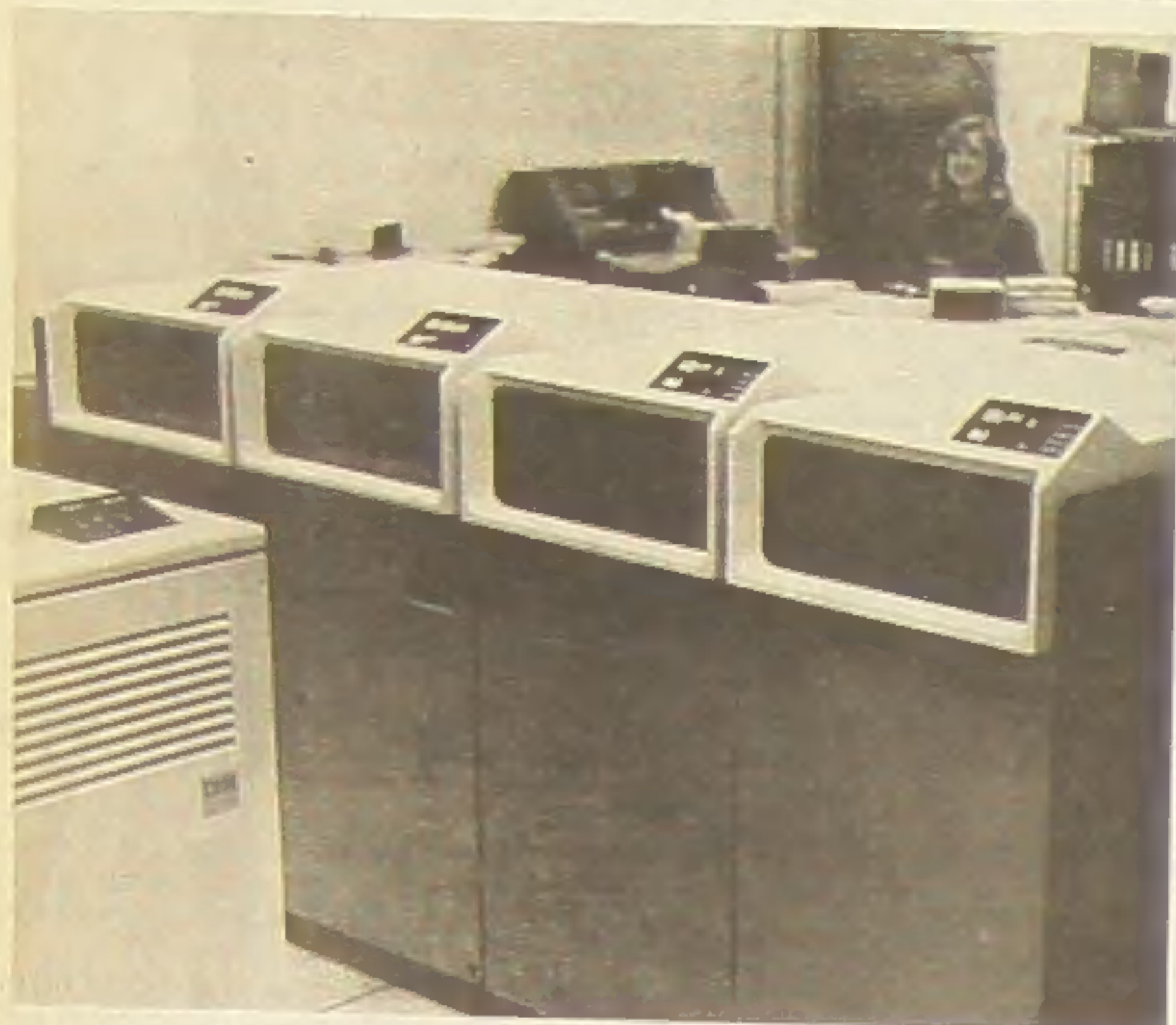
"We are very fortunate to have a versatile faculty," said Cragin. "They are willing to get on top of the new technology."

"I think that a master's degree is a good level for a four-year institution. They are not as distant, and are closer to the mission of a four-year school."

The program now has seven full-time employees, and stresses development of the instructors.

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Hardware

Disk drives in the main frame room at Southern. The main frame was recently updated for more memory. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

## Program

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"We want to have back-up personnel available in case something goes wrong," Cragin said. "We have tried to limit faculty problems by getting the best ones possible. We have a pretty good faculty."

Cragin is most proud of the accomplishments by some of his former graduates. Many are employed by large firms in the Joplin area.

"Many of them are in positions of responsibility," said Cragin. "We have the top three in computing at Tamko, and people at Eagle-Picher and Empire District Electric Company."

The program offers an associate degree in addition to a bachelor's degree. There are currently 167 majors.

"Internally, our program is quite collegial," Cragin said. "Our faculty members lend support to other programs; we try to have a good relationship with the rest of the faculty."

"There is a tendency within a program to become bureaucratic. We have mutual respect for others and do what the faculty is supposed to do—help the students learn."

## 'The Chart' names editor-in-chief

Adviser announces several new staff position appointments

Pat Halverson, a junior communications major, has been named editor-in-chief of *The Chart* for 1986-87.

That appointment, and several others on the newspaper staff, were announced by Chad Stebbins, adviser.

"Pat has proven herself during the last three years with her dedication and ability to get the job done," said Stebbins. "I'm sure that she'll be a worthy successor to previous editors."

Since joining *The Chart* staff in 1983, Halverson has served as a staff writer, arts editor, and managing editor.

"I am looking forward to the challenge of being editor," she said. "We are losing some valuable people, but have a good staff coming up who is capable of continuing the quality of the paper."

Mark Ernstmann, a sophomore communications major, has been named executive manager for 1986-87. Ernstmann

is currently serving as campus editor.

JoAnn Hollis, a junior communications major, will be managing editor of the newspaper and editor of the *Crossroads*.

"JoAnn could very well be the busiest student on campus next year," said Stebbins. "We're counting on her to fill a major position on *The Chart* and be the top person on the yearbook staff."

Other new appointments include Nancy Putnam, associate editor; Rob Smith, campus editor; Cheryl Boyd, arts editor; and Keri James, business manager/circulation manager. James, who replaced Ben Leavens, has already taken over in her new capacities.

Rick Evans, director of photography; Bob Vice, associate editor; and Shaun LePage, sports editor, will return next year in their current positions.

"Shaun has just one semester left, but he has already established himself as one

of the top college sportswriters and said Stebbins. "His columns are usually getting a great deal of attention."

Vice also will replace Simon McCaskey as editor of the *Avalon*, the monthly student literary magazine founded last year.

"I am immensely pleased that Bob is taking over the editing and production of the magazine," he said. "Avalon in its infancy, and has a lot of possibilities."

The new appointments become effective after the publication of the edition.

"It's kind of a tradition that staff takes over for the last two editions," said Martin Oetting, editor-in-chief of *The Chart* for 1985-86. "I thought, that Simon and I are leaving paper in good hands."

## Department sponsors Special Olympics

Sponsored by Missouri Southern's education department, the Area V Special Olympics will be held tomorrow in Fred G. Hughes Stadium.

"Special Olympics are primarily for mentally and physically handicapped children," said Dr. Carol Anderson, assistant professor of education. "It holds the thrill of competition, but everyone comes out a winner."

Heats will consist of five persons each, and each participant will receive a ribbon for achieving from first to fifth place. The events will include the 50-meter dash, 200-meter dash, 440-meter relay, standing broad jump, high jump, and softball throw.

The Olympics are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. with "the Special Olympics

Oath" by Dr. Julio Leon, College president. The athletic events will then start and continue through 2:30 p.m.

Area V consists of over 40 area school systems and sheltered workshops in Lawrence, Barton, Jasper, Newton, McDonald, and Barry counties. This year, the department of education expects a turnout of about 200 athletes from these schools and workshops.

"The Olympics are not just an opportunity for the kids to exercise," said Dr. Michael Banks, assistant professor of education. "Each school may elect to send its overall winners to the state Olympic games at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. The winners at the state level may go on to the national games in Colorado, and the winners at the national level may go on to the

international games in Switzerland."

The workers for the Olympics are on a volunteer basis, while students in education, psychology, physical education courses.

"This is the third year the Special Olympics have been held on our campus," said Anderson. "Before it here, it was held in Joplin, Mo. It has been held in the area since 1969."

According to Banks, before special athletics were prohibited in area communities, including Joplin.

The Olympic activities are open to the public. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

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# C.A.B. PRESENTS FOOL'S FEST

April 13-18

The following events are  
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**SUNDAY, APRIL 13** - Bus Trip to see  
K.C. Royals vs. Toronto Blue Jays - Sold Out.

**MONDAY, APRIL 14** - "Laugh Attack"  
(Best Joke Contest) Prizes \$50, \$25 and \$15.  
Preliminaries at 10 and 11 a.m. Finals at noon  
in the Lions' Den. Sign up is required.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 15** - "Float Trip"  
Build your own ice cream floats at 11 a.m.  
in the Lions' Den  
**ALSO**

*Desperately Seeking Susan* will be playing  
at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. in the Barn Theatre  
\$1 admission

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16** - Birthday Party  
11 a.m. in the Lions' Den.  
**ALSO**

Free Caricatures from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
in the Lions' Den.  
**ALSO**

Comedy Night with Andy Andrews and Rondell  
Sheridan - 8 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 17** - All Campus cookout  
from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the student center  
lawn. Free cups, balloons and caricatures.  
**ALSO**

*Desperately Seeking Susan* will be playing  
at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. in the Barn Theatre. \$1  
admission.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 18** - Hair Styling  
Demonstrations from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the  
Lions' Den. Get a free haircut by "New Styles" salon.



# Schools in six areas host Hunger Education Week

## Hands Across America' sponsors project

Hands Across America/Missouri, a project of USA for Africa, is sponsoring a Hunger Education week in junior high and high schools in six metropolitan areas in Missouri and southern Illinois.

From April 19-25 some 40,000 students will participate in the program in St. Louis, Kansas City, Springfield, Columbia, Jefferson City, Cape Girardeau, and neighboring Illinois communities.

Hunger Education Week is designed to make young people aware of the growing problem of hunger and homelessness in the United States. The program will include a long classroom study units on hunger in America as well as outside activities which include essay and poster contests, athletic competitions, and bake

On April 19, students will begin a drive to recruit neighbors, family, and friends to pledge \$10 or more to Hands Across America. A pledge will reserve donors, or students they sponsor, a place in the Missouri leg of the 4,000-mile, coast-to-coast chain of more than six million people. On Sunday, May 25, at 2 p.m. CDT, William J. Fleming, Missouri project

director for Hands Across America, said the state headquarters has enlisted the support of school district superintendents in each of the six areas. Superintendents are asking school principals to appoint a faculty sponsor and a student ambassador to direct the program in their schools.

"We must educate our young people on these issues," said Fleming. "They are the future of this nation, the ones who will carry on our traditions. Their awareness and participation are paramount to the achievement of our goals."

Hands Across America, which is operating in association with Coca-Cola USA and CitiBand-Citicorp, has set a goal of \$60 million to \$100 million to be raised by the centerpiece of the project, the human chain. This chain will include 10 states and the District of Columbia. In Missouri it will extend from West Alton south to Cape Girardeau.

Hunger Education Week is a project of Hands Across America/Missouri in association with local Coca-Cola bottlers and Coca-Cola USA.

Those wishing to make a pledge and join the line may call 1-800-USA-9000.



**Festival** Students from various high schools in the area were on the campus of Missouri Southern last weekend for competition in the music festival. (Chart photo by Rick Evans.)

## Board votes to control costs Earnings may moderate premium increase

At a recent meeting, the board of trustees of the Missouri State Employees' Retirement System voted to take another significant step in its attempt to control premium costs of the Missouri State Medical Care Plan.

The reserve fund of the plan now has \$5 million in reserve. To the extent that investment earnings of the reserve can be advanced, the need for increases in contributions may be moderated. Accordingly, the Board selected Investment & Capital Management Corporation of Chicago, a professional money manager who specializes in short-term investing. The selection was made only after interviewing six managers with known exper-

tise in this area.

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By slightly liberalizing the average maturity guidelines it provides an increase in the investment flexibility which results in an increase in earnings potential.

## CMU may soon offer courses in hospital administration

Graduate courses in general and hospital administration may soon be offered in Joplin through Central Michigan University.

Representatives from CMU will hold seminars from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. April 24 for persons interested in the program.

"This type of program was started years ago," said Chuck Whaley, career development coordinator at St. John's Regional Medical Center in Joplin. "There has been an established center (for Central Michigan University programs) in Kansas

City for the last 12 years. Programs were set up for the Army and the Navy, and it just expanded."

Whaley said staff from the Kansas City center will probably teach the classes in Joplin.

"They have told us that if there is enough interest, classes will be started here," he said.

If the program is established in Joplin, classes are expected to begin in August. Credits earned in the classes are transferable.

## MBA's increase students' earnings

Only lower, middle income students affected, study indicates

COLUMBIA, MO (CPS)—Middle- and lower-income students can improve their earning power dramatically by filing away their business bachelor's degrees and going on for master's degrees in business administration, a new study has found.

But the highly touted MBA doesn't help upper-middle and upper-income students earn much more than they could without an MBA, the study also concludes.

The study of 346 graduates of the universities of Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma also discovered that women from the middle, lower-middle and lower classes earned as much as their male counterparts four to five years out of school—half the sample had BAs and half had MBAs.

"We think it's very gratifying finding equality for the lower group," says Tom Dougherty, the University of Missouri-Columbia management associate professor who directed the study.

Within four to five years of earning their MBAs, graduates from the lower classes were making about \$11,000 more a year than economically similar students who earned just business bachelor's degrees.

MBAs, however, didn't help improve the earning power of students from the upper economic classes.

"Students from the upper group already have the skills and contacts necessary for success," Dougherty says, "whereas the MBA may provide the extra socialization that those from the lower group need" to earn more money.

And while "lower class" men and women out of school for four years were making the same amount of money, females from the upper strata were earning less than males from the upper strata.

Dougherty thinks it's because wealthy females may not have the same access to family businesses as do upper-strata males, a factor he found to contribute greatly to earning power.

He also speculates affluent women probably don't have the same financial motives as females from the lower classes.

"Rich women can afford to take interesting jobs such as working in a museum," observes William Hokanson, director of communications for Harvard's business school.

There also may be a limited number of well-paying jobs, which often are grabbed by males from affluent backgrounds,

maintains Charles Hickman of the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.

Additionally, affluent females have the option to leave the work force to rear children more readily than women of lesser means, Hickman says.

Dougherty's study, of course, deals with graduates of three schools not nationally recognized as heavyweights in business education.

At least one observer thinks a MBA from a "credential" school will accelerate the earning power of any student, regardless of his or her economic background.

"I think that someone with an MBA will clearly have an advantage over a BA regardless of class," contends John Aisner, assistant director of communications at Harvard's business school.

Moreover, "where you go to grad school is becoming more important," he adds.

At the same time, students' grades don't seem to have anything to do with how much they earn after graduation. Dougherty found no relationship between academic performance and professional success.

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## Baird to retire

Dr. C. Ray Baird, vice president for administration at Pittsburg (Kan.) State University, has announced his retirement, effective June 18.

His position will not be filled, according to Dr. Donald Wilson, PSU president. Baird's duties will be divided among members of the coordinating council.

PSU is facing a severe funding problem this year, and has even considered "cutting out" several members of the faculty.

Baird joined the university faculty in 1947 as a counselor in guidance services and an assistant professor of education and psychology. He was named director of admissions and registrar in 1953, and executive vice president in 1968. His title was changed to vice president for administration in 1978.

Because he is the longest tenured professor at the university, Baird was asked to carry the mace when it was first used for PSU commencement exercises last spring. The mace Baird carried is a symbol of university authority.

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# In the open

## Airports suffer from terrorism

In this very space, *The Chart* predicted terrorist attacks against Americans last week. In the aftermath of the Libya-U.S. confrontation in the Gulf of Sydra, four Americans were killed when an apparent bomb went off on TWA Flight 840 flying over Argos, Greece.

Another bombing in a West Berlin disco killed two, including one U.S. soldier, and injured 150.

Though a Libya tie to the terrorism is yet to be confirmed, leaking sources have said there was an indirect link between the bombing and Khadaffi. Apparently, the bombers were Europeans with a connection to Arab terrorists and Khadaffi.

The suspected terrorist was a Lebanese woman by the name of May Elias Mansur. On the Cairo-to-Athens leg of the trip, she occupied seat 10F, the exact location where the bomb went off. How she was able to board the plane with the bomb is the question at hand.

Groups have questioned airport security for many years, spurring from past hijackings and other sabotage attacks. As a result, recent reports say airports and airlines have tightened the seatbelts on security in the airplane boarding stations. But how effective are they?

Mansur arrived at the Cairo airport 30 minutes before the plane was to take off. So late, in fact, that she was driven in a TWA car to the tarmac where Flight 840 was preparing to depart. Her suitcases went through the scanner, and she was body-searched by an Egyptian policewoman. How these precautions failed to uncover the bomb deserves investigation.

Meanwhile, hundreds of Americans are cancelling plane reservations overseas for fear of further terrorist attacks. It's time the airports and security officials take new technology in hand to skip a step ahead of terrorists. It appears the new wave of terrorists have caught up to the current, 1970's style security devices.



### Editor's Column:

## Someone else is sleeping in our room....

By Simon P. McCaffery  
Associate Editor



In about three or four weeks, a familiar scene will be played out late, late at night: I awaken suddenly, frozen in the crumpled bed clothes and sheets, straining my ears in the ticking silence, eyes wide in the darkness.

Something is in my room (my wife and I) bedroom. Here in the room, closely. I can hear it. I nudge my sleeping wife. "Pst. Hey! Wake up!" She cracks an eye open and looks sleepily at me. "Whah??" Silly woman! Doesn't she realize the peril? "Honey, Sweetums, WAKE UP there's someone here in the room with us." She rolls her eyes and gets up slowly, swiveling out of bed. I try to grab her arm, to warn her, but it's too late. I scream and dive under the covers. We are not alone in the small moonlit room.

Of course we aren't.

Across the room, in the little wood crib, wrapped in thick blankets and bathed in soft light, is our newborn. Angela will walk over and feed him (or her) and we'll all go to sleep again, for a while.

If this scene seems a bit melodramatic, think about it like I have. In less than a month, barring any major catastrophes, our first child will arrive. Thinking about my wife having a child hardly boggles my mind, but perhaps waking up deep in the night and realizing that there is another little human being sleeping close by will.

This is not a new car, a ultra-cosmic Hi-Fi, or a microwave that plans your menu. This is not a home computer or VCR. It is a once-only, come-as-you-are, true-blue, never-in-the-history-of-the-world human being. Your own personal person.

Many people seem to dwell on the awesome responsibility of raising a child, and that is certainly a major part of it. It will mean a lot of work, more energy than I will ever devote to anything else in my life, even more than collecting comics! It will be most demanding task I will ever set on these narrow shoulders: the nurturing of another

person from day one.

I wish a friend of mine, Bill, was able to be here and read this as I write it. Bill, closely in tune with elements of life that run through our lives like a steel bar, would understand exactly what I am trying to say. He would not attempt to put it in words as I do, but would probably express himself the same way he did when I told him of the coming of Son (or D) of Simon—he would jump up and down and yell. Not to say that Bill is without words and thought, he just expresses himself with raw exuberance.

And that's fine, because I often wish I could leave this terminal and join Bill on the grassy hills outside Hearnes. Because yes, it's work, and yes, it means getting up six times in the night, and yes it's for the rest of my life, but it's a new person.

When my friend returns in May, whether the child has arrived or not, we are going to drive from town, maybe out by Spring River, and alone, jump up and down a yell until we fall exhausted.

And then we will get up and get back to work. But we will be smiling.

## Senate elections stirring up spirit

Finally, it appears more students are taking an interest in campus affairs. Four students are now on the ballot for Student Senate President, and as a result a primary election has been scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday. Nick Harvill, Keri James, Ernie Henderson, and Lance Adams are all seeking the post for next year.

Unfortunately, a debate planned for next Wednesday and sponsored by Phi Kappa Delta has been cancelled. It would have given students a chance to listen while the candidates debated current issues before the Senate. Hopefully, the opportunity will still exist after campaigning to make a sound voting decision.

Students should all take the time to vote in both the primary elections and the final elections. Normal elections usually draw about 6 per cent of the students. Hopefully, this campaign will result in more school spirit at Missouri Southern, and draw a sizeable crowd to the polls. Everyone should take the time to vote.

### In Perspective:

## Travel gives accurate world perception

By Dr. Carmen Carney  
Professor of Communications



"...So it is in traveling; a man must carry knowledge with him, if he would bring home knowledge..."—Samuel Johnson

In some parts of the world, "foreign" travel is about as simple as a drive to Cartersville. Going abroad is part of the natural order of things: to work, to study, to live. Traveling becomes routine, and lacks the glamour, sophistication, and cosmopolitan air that is commonly associated with international travel.

The five-hour trip on two planes for the 16-year-old resident of the island of Eleuthera to stay with granny in Curacao is simply the only way she can attend high school in her native Dutch. In my case, to take another example, learning that our high school graduation trip was planned for the British or American Virgin Islands was a letdown. From my West Indian perspective, Europe sounded

much more appropriate, and exotic, and at least had a sense of mystery about it. When I took my first job in St. Croix, I returned to visit my family in Puerto Rico every weekend. I traveled often with three or four other passengers in a twin engine "lobster plane" which ferried seafood on the first part of the trip to market. We sat on lobster crates, and used no seat belts. Other trips were aboard seaplanes, or any other commercial or cargo flight which happened to be heading in the right direction. Although an island's life can be isolated, for me there always seemed to have been a continuum between the place I resided and the rest of the world.

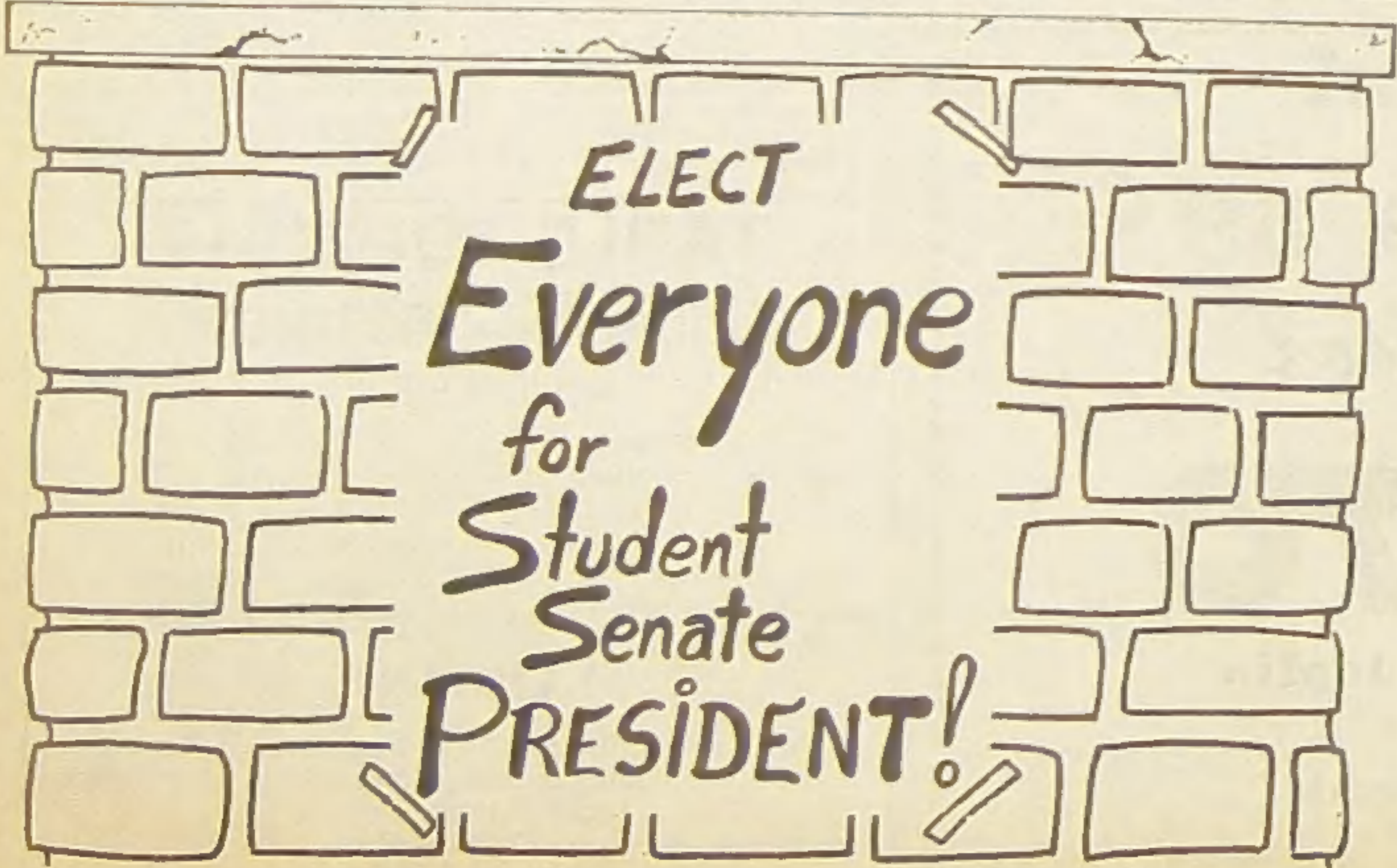
The practice of venturing away from our immediate area is not common to this region of the country. The destinations of travelers going abroad appear impossibly distant, and the ways of other nationalities somewhat incomprehensible. At MSSC foreign travel under the guise of study abroad programs, student exchanges, or school sponsored trips to other countries are slowly but surely becoming a reality. It is within the bounds of an educator's mission to push back the invisible borders that limit our imagination and con-

strain our ability to accurately perceive the world. Experiencing the world "in vitro," as part of the laboratory requirements of a course in the culture of Mexico, provided the opportunity to 13 students from MSSC to test their ability in a foreign setting.

Preparations for such a journey into the midst of another culture was essential to its success. The set of myths and misconceptions about Mexico were to their surprise, dismissed very quickly upon arrival. Preconceptions of a "lesser" culture were dispelled by our visits to the vast pre-Columbian city of Teotihuacan with its enormous pyramids, to the National Museum of Anthropology, to the churches, and palaces. The comment of students that Mexico was "so European" would seem at first to be inaccurate, but the influence is pervasive in the restaurants, the missions, the old polo clubs, the fountains, the monuments, avenues, and the general flavor of the cities.

Yes, there is much evidence of poverty in Mexico, as well as dusty roads, "mordidas" (bribe),

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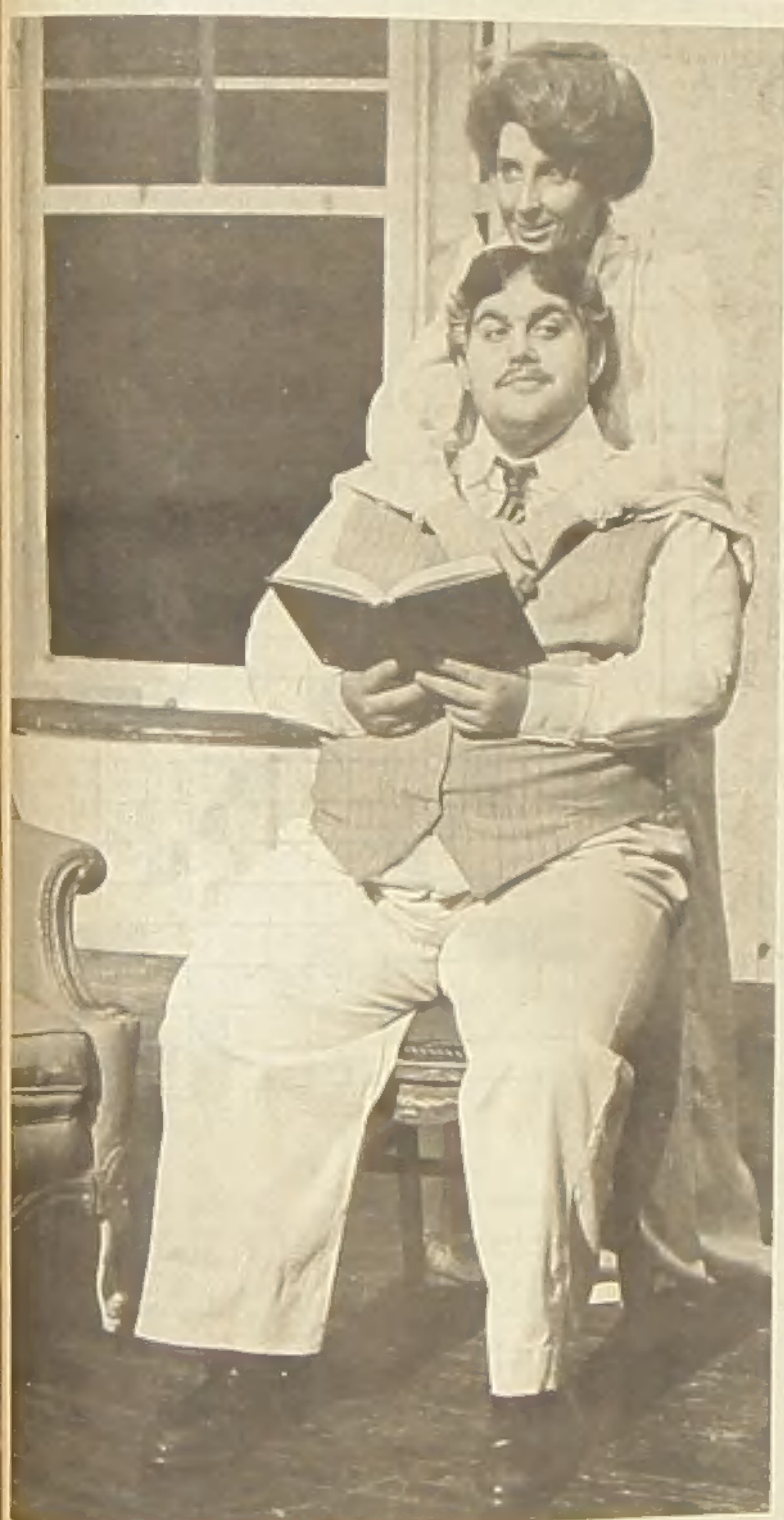
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# On stage

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Ah, Wilderness!

Eugene O'Neill's only comedy, *Ah, Wilderness!*, will be staged April 16 through April 19 at the Taylor Performing Arts Center. The play is set in a small New England town during the summer of 1906.

Photos by Rick Evans





### Campus Crusade for Christ

11 a.m.-Noon and  
1 p.m.- 2 p.m.  
Tuesday  
BSC Room 306

### Chess Club

Noon today  
Reynolds Hall, Rm. 311

### English Club

noon - 1 p.m. today  
BSC Room 311

### International Club

3 p.m.- 4 p.m.  
Wednesday  
3rd Floor BSC

### Koinonia

7 p.m. Tuesday  
College Heights  
Christian Church

## from the... REGISTRAR

### Deadlines

Dec. 1986 Grads:  
Deadline for filing  
is May 1.  
Register in Placement  
Office, BSC, Room 207

July 1986 Grads:  
Those not yet filed  
are too late, and will  
be pushed back  
to December.

### Job Interviews

April 16: Teacher  
Placement Day  
9 a.m.-2 p.m. in BSC  
Offers opportunity  
to discuss employment  
with school systems  
from Missouri  
and surrounding areas.

April 22: FBI  
Tony Ortiz will hold  
a seminar at 9:30 a.m.  
and at 11 a.m. in BSC,  
Room 311

April 23: North  
Kansas City Schools

April 24: Division  
of Personnel Services  
Seminar at 11:30 a.m.  
in BSC, Room 306.

April 29: Kansas City  
School System



at Barn Theatre

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# Around campus

## Society advances knowledge in field

Stewart White will speak at a seminar on geometric dimensioning and tolerancing from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow in the Keystone Room of Billingsly Student Center.

White, an employee of the Caterpillar Corporation, has been involved in manufacturing related technical support areas. He has served as a classroom instructor, production supervisor, staff engineer in production planning, and training system analyst. His present position includes identifying technical training needs and developing instructional material to meet the needs of the corporation.

Sponsored by Ozark Chapter 133 of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, the seminar will be presented as an educational forum

for SME technology students, manufacturers, inspectors, machine operators, engineers, purchasing agents, and the general public.

Attendance at the seminar will give four recertification credits to those who are certified manufacturing technologists or engineers.

Advancing scientific knowledge in the field of manufacturing engineering and applying its resources to research, writing, publishing, and disseminating information is the goal of the SME.

"We are trying to educate people who are already working so they can be tested for certification," said John Scorse, SME chairman of Ozark Local 133.



**Take cover**

While tornado threats and severe weather rocked Joplin, night class students sought shelter on the first floor of Hearn Hall. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis.)

## Registration to begin for new semesters

Monday marks beginning of registration

Students currently enrolled at Missouri Southern will be given the opportunity to pre-register for the 1986 summer and spring semesters.

Pre-registration is designed to give current students the benefit of an adviser-student conference and priority in selecting classes. The following is a timetable for the activities.

Monday and Tuesday, April 14 and 15: Students with 90-plus credit hours and 1986 associate candidates.

Wednesday and Thursday, April 16 and 17: Students with 60-89 credit hours.

Friday, April 18: Transfer students with 55 credit hours.

Monday and Tuesday, April 21 and 22: Students with 30-59 credit hours.

Wednesday and Thursday, April 23 and 24: Students with 0-29 credit hours.

Friday, April 25: Clean-up day.

All students wishing to pre-register for the new semesters should pick up class schedules in the registrar's office in Hearn Hall.

Pre-registered students will pay fees and pick up books beginning

July 7 through Aug. 14. This will complete the registration process and the student will not need to return to campus until the first day of classes.

Fees may be paid by mail, and must reach the finance office on or before Aug. 7.

If payment is made in person, it must be received by the finance office by Aug. 12.

If fees are not paid by 5 p.m. Aug. 14, students will forfeit their classes. Students who do not heed the deadline will have their pre-registration voided, and will have to re-register either Aug. 19 or 20.

Students may, however, request their enrollment be placed on "Hold" by telephone, in writing, or in person, to the registrar's office, providing this is done by 5 p.m. on Aug. 14.

Students should also notify the registrar's office of their current address, if different from their current address. Otherwise, notification of their fees and schedule may not be received, resulting in cancellation of all classes for which the student is pre-registered.

## Senate passes new amendment; honors senators of the month

Passage of a new amendment to the bylaws of Missouri Southern's Student Senate will require senators who are members of other campus organizations to refrain from voting on some issues.

The amendment is designed to discourage a conflict of interest when voting on resolutions involving the allocation of funds to campus organizations. Senators will be asked to abstain if they are a

member of the organization requesting money.

Bobby John and Mark Mulik were honored as senators of the month for February and March. Both received plaques.

In other Senate business, Phi Beta Lambda was allocated \$250 for members of the organization to attend a leadership conference.

Southern's Camera Club submitted a resolution for first reading

asking for \$835 for 11 members going to Dallas to attend educational seminars on photography and for the Kodak film processing plant. The resolution will be voted on next week.

CAB members challenged members of the Student Senate to a softball game with a tentative date of May 4.

## Clubs sponsor events for Red Cross

Planning committees for the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund is the purpose behind Spring-Fling Week. The funds are needed to provide supplies for the victims of disasters.

Spring Fling Week starts Monday and continues through Friday, April 18. It is sponsored by the Social Science Club, the International Club, and Lambda Epsilon Chi.

Several events highlight the week. Tables will be set up in Billingsly Student Center to take donations for the cause, and those who donate will have the opportunity to win several prizes in a drawing. Prizes being given away include free dinners, a haircut, and a \$20 gift certificate for gasoline.

At 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 17, a picnic will be held on the oval in front of the BSC. During the pic-

nic, a dunking booth will be set up allowing students and faculty a chance to dunk their peers.

Participating students include Nick Harvill and Margaret Womack. Participating faculty members consist of Paul Teveros, Annetta St. Clair, Allen Merriam, Edward Wuch, Joseph Shields, and James Jackson.

## The Missouri Constitution Test

All Out-of-State students who plan to Graduate in May or July of 1986 and have not taken U.S. Govt. or State and Local Govt. in a Missouri College should see Dr. Malzahn in Room 316, Hearn Hall, on or before April 9th to sign up for the Test and/or the Pre-test Lecture.

The Lecture will be Friday, April 11th at 2:00 p.m.

The Test is Friday, April 18th at 2:00 p.m.

Both the Lecture and the Test will be given in Room 123 in the back of the Library. You Must take the Test to Graduate if you are an Out-of-State student...

### Excuses Received From Home

The following excuses were turned in at a public school system. The spelling is exactly as it appeared on the note. How's this for good sentence structure?

To the school: Please ackuse John for been absent on January 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32.

Chris has a acre on his side.

Mary could not come to school because she was bothered by very close valve.

John has been absent because he had two teeth taken out of his face.

I kepe Billie home because she had to go Christmas shopping because I didn't know what size she wear.

Please excuse Gloria. She had been sick and under the doctor.

My son is under the doctor's care and should not take P.E. Please execute him.

Lillie was absent from school yeaterday as she had a going over.

Please excuse Joey Friday. He had loose vowels

Please excuse Blanch from jum today. She is administrating.

Please excuse Joyce from P.E. for a few days. Yesterday she fill out of a tree and misplaced her hip.

Carlos was absent yesterday because he was playing football. He was hurt in the grow-ing part.

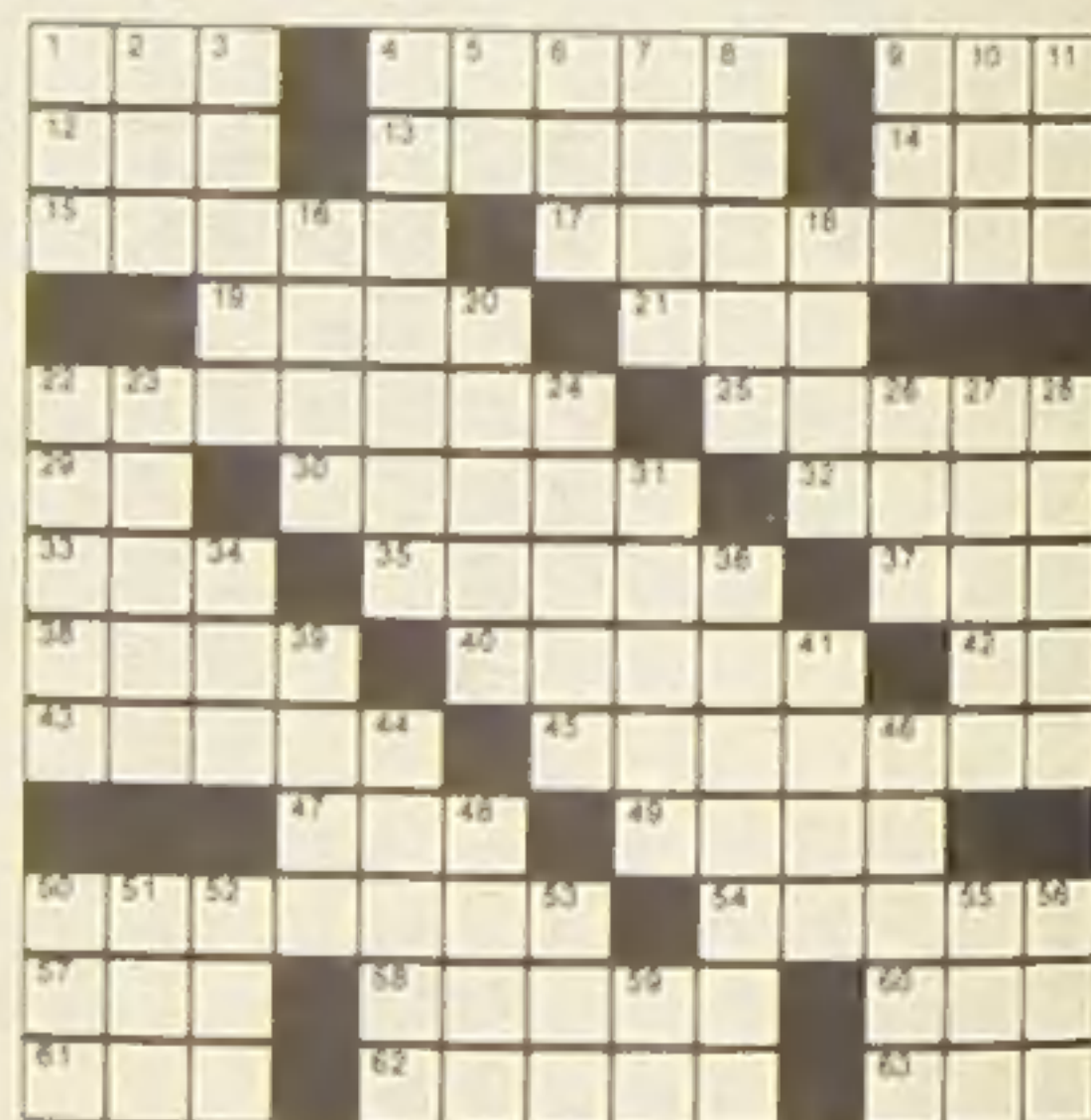
My daughter was absent yesterday because she was tired. She spent the week end with the Marines.

Please excuse Dianne from being absent yesterday. She was in bed with gramps.

Please excuse Jimmy for being. It was his father's fault.

Mary Ann was absent December 11-13 because she had a fever, sore throat, headache, and upset stomach. Her sister was also sick, fever, and sore throat, her brother had a low grade fever and acked all over. I wasn't the best either, sore throat and fever. There must be the flu going around...her father even got hot last night.

## Collegiate Crossword



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### ACROSS

1 Aeriform fluid  
4 Avoid  
8 Soak up  
12 High mountain  
13 Famed  
14 Exit  
15 Facial hair  
17 Draws out  
19 Tarp  
21 Greek letter  
22 Adored  
23 Southeastern  
24 Europeans  
25 Chinese ill-  
26 lence measure  
30 Fast pedal  
31 Flesh  
32 Individual  
35 Cut  
37 Head resort  
38 Chickens  
40 Boundaries  
42 Owner's risk:  
abbr.  
43 Enthusiasm  
45 Formal  
discourse  
47 Cleaning  
instrument

### DOWN

1 Idle chatter  
2 Beverage  
3 Muscular  
contraction  
4 Suffers patiently  
5 Behold!  
6 Southwestern  
Indian  
7 Erase: printing  
8 Flammable  
9 Capuchin  
monkey  
10 Scrap of food  
11 Footlike part  
12 Irritate

16 Tranquil  
20 Carouse  
22 Hawaiian  
greeting  
23 Restaurant  
24 Mephistopheles  
26 Roman bronze  
27 Bluster  
28 Look fixedly  
31 Renovate  
34 Finish  
36 Retreated  
38 Indefinite  
amount  
41 Play leading  
role  
44 Librarian  
46 Official decree  
48 Animal coat  
50 Ocean  
51 Game of  
marbles  
52 Before  
53 Spanish for  
"river"  
54 Mist  
56 Couple  
59 Duplicate: abbr.

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# City/State news

## Council organizes; Clark is mayor

Discussions of taxi service, zoning requests occur between warnings

By Rob Smith  
and Martin C. Oetting

Despite being interrupted twice by tornado warnings, Joplin's new City Council managed to reorganize and approve several measures during a two-and-a-half hour meeting Monday.

The Council met in pre-session to swear in Donald Clark, William C. Seacore, Clyde Morrison to general Council and Bobby J. Pullen and Gary Burdette to zone seats. The five were elected last week.

The Council also voted Clark as mayor and Cheryl Dandridge as mayor-pro-tem. The Council approved a request by Jensen to license Mule Express, a taxi service, in Joplin. Currently only one company, 408, operates in the city. Last month, the Council denied Jensen's request due to his plans to operate from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., which would be "steal" customers from 408.

"We feel the Council's decision was unfair and denied free enterprise," Jensen said. "We have contacted our attorneys, and they say the legalities are such that we could file suit against the city."

"We will now run on an equal basis with 408," Jensen said. "We'll run seven days a week, 24 hours a day."

Jim Huddleston, owner of 408 Cab, has no hand to voice opposition to the request.

"408 has been here since 1938," Huddleston told the Council. "We own six taxis. Your action on this request means

a lot to us, because we could stand to lose eight professional drivers. If you let in another company, there is nothing to keep Joe Blow from starting his own cab company."

Saying 408 is meeting the needs of the public for mass transit, Huddleston concluded by telling the Council "if it isn't broke, don't fix it."

Dandridge asked if Mule Express had met all safety requirements, and if there is need for a second cab company in Joplin. The Council called on Dick Largent of the transportation committee for an answer. Largent said recent surveys conducted by both state and private agencies indicate little need for mass transit systems in Joplin.

"In the past studies have shown that demand is not that great," Largent said. "But it is up to the Council to decide."

Other residents voiced support for Mule Express, and the Council unanimously approved the request.

A number of residents were on hand in opposition to a request by owner Steven Vogel to build a parking lot at 222 East 15th Street near Range Line. The parking lot is designed to be used by employees in the dental offices and for future employee parking for other businesses that may locate in the area.

A petition signed by owners of 45 percent of the property within 165 feet of the location had been filed in opposition to the request. In addition, the zoning and planning commission recommended that the request be denied.

The Council unanimously denied issuance of the special use permit.

The Council also acted on two requests by Ozark Center. The first involved rezoning property located at 2140 West 32nd Street for the construction and operation of two group homes and future development for related health care activities. The Council unanimously placed the measure on first reading.

The second measure involved a request by Dr. Michael B. Cole of the Ozark Center for a special use permit to allow the center to operate two group homes to be constructed at the same location. The measure, which met with opposition from residents near the proposed site, squeaked by with a 5-4 vote.

The Council also approved the following measures:

■ A request by Judy Young for a S.U.P. for the operation of a home beauty shop at 1430 South Jackson Avenue.

■ A request by John Goodfellow to rezone to "CP-3" property located at 2816 South Main Street for construction of a commercial building, providing he come before the Council again with building plans.

■ A request by Mark Stephenson to rezone property located at 4003 Hearnes Boulevard for the construction of four duplexes.

■ A request by Rick Neal to rezone property located at 1717 West 26th Street for the construction of offices for doctors and other medical professionals.



**Against zoning change**

A Joplin resident takes advantage of the opportunity to speak before the City Council Monday. Many residents were on hand to oppose a request to rezone a portion of 15th Street, a residential area, for construction of a parking lot. (Chart photo by Martin Oetting)

## Presidential primary may be up to voters

JEFFERSON CITY—State voters would have the final decision on whether Missouri should have a permanent presidential primary system and campaign spending limits under a bill gaining first round approval in the Senate.

The measure, sponsored by John Schneider (D-St. Louis), would make a permanent primary beginning in 1992. A similar bill recently was signed by the governor that sets up a primary, but not for the 1988 election.

The campaign finance proposal would spend in statewide elections and the public to fund statewide campaigns through a state income tax check-off. Schneider and other supporters said

the system would curb campaign costs, allowing more candidates to be involved.

Although opponents agreed spending was too high, they said the public shouldn't be asked to fund political campaigns.

Schneider said he linked the two issues to get the campaign finance bill passed and avoid the governor's veto. Citing a provision in the state constitution that usually applies to constitutional amendments, he and other Senate leaders said since the proposal would be submitted to a statewide vote, it could go directly on the ballot without crossing the governor's desk.

Several attempts to unravel this plan

were turned down before the preliminary vote was taken.

In preparation for work on more House bills, the Senate gave tentative approval to nearly 25 bills and final approval to another 17. One measure already on its way to the governor would allow the state to fund discounts for older citizens who could not afford telephone service. The Senate sponsor, President Pro Tem John Scott (D-St. Louis), said the bill provides a utility "lifeline" to the elderly, who depend heavily on phones when they need help.

Other proposals approved this week would:

■ Allow local sales taxes to be charged on

cards that Missourians buy out-of-state.

■ Give crime victims a chance to have input during the process used to determine the sentences of their attackers.

■ Establish a new state law governing home schoolers.

■ Allow former convicted felons to work in businesses that have retail liquor licenses.

■ Require individuals represented by public defenders, if they have the resources, to pay all or part of the costs of their representation, and

■ Set up a special task force to study Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

### Crossword Answers

GAS	ELUDE	SOP
ALP	NOTED	ARE
BEARD	ELICITS	
	SOUR	ETA
ADMIRER	SLAVES	
LI	LEVER	MEAT
ONE	SEVER	SPA
HENS	LINES	OR
ARDOR	LECTURE	
	MOP	WEAK
STEEPER	DRAFT	
EAR	ELIDE	SOW
AWE	STOOD	EGO

## Gas prices have little effect on sales volume, owners say

Although gas prices have dropped 30 cents per gallon in recent weeks, several gas station owners do not look for an expected increase in business.

"I think the gas companies manipulate winter and summer," said Tony English, owner of 7-Eleven on South Range Line. "In April you see an increase because more people travel."

"You always see an increase once school let out," said Bob Goodson, owner of Bob's Texaco at 3227 Main Street.

Gas prices have been as low as 61 cents per gallon, but have climbed to 65 cents per gallon in the past week.

"I think the major oil companies are manipulating the prices," said Goodson. "The companies know that people are always going to have to drive."

Goodson pointed out that his profit is almost always between three and five

cents per gallon.

English has been able to predict his sales increases and decreases over the past six years by keeping a log of his sales. He said that every week corresponds to the same week of a year ago.

The opinions of Missouri Southern students varied on whether gas prices would stay down.

"I do not look for prices to stay down for long," said Jeff Swearingen of Carthage. "I look for them to go back up."

Larry Larimore of Joplin had a different opinion.

"I think they will stay down for a while longer. I doubt they will go back up over a dollar for a long time."

"I am less concerned about gas prices now that they have dropped," said Larimore.

## Current Legislative Status

**Presidential Primary**—Would create a presidential primary in Missouri. Also would provide for selection of state delegates to the national conventions.

**Shorter Legislative Sessions**—Allows voters to reduce the length of legislative sessions of the Missouri General Assembly, which currently last six months in odd-numbered years and four in even-numbered ones.

**Mandatory Auto Insurance**—Would require Missouri drivers to carry motor vehicle liability insurance.

**Assessment Maintenance**—Would establish a plan for keeping property assessments current. This would prevent the possibility of having to conduct another costly statewide reassessment a few years down the road.

**Farm Aid**—Would provide assistance to Missouri's financially strapped farmers. The Senate bill would allow foreign ownership of farmland, and the House measure would provide funding for low-interest loans to farmers.

**Health Care Cost Control**—Would limit to \$350,000 medical malpractice awards for non-economic damages, allow insurance companies to pay large awards in installments rather than one lump sum and take other steps to curtail the skyrocketing costs that are making health care unaffordable.

**Crime Package**—Would strengthen the state's criminal law by imposing strict penalties on crimes of library theft, pharmacy robbery and attempted prison escape, outlawing the use of metal-penetrating bullets and "booby traps" and allowing enforcement officials to seize property used or obtained in criminal activities.

**Lien Law Revisions**—Would protect homeowners from being forced to pay twice for home improvements when unscrupulous contractors fail to pay for building supplies. The bill would provide suppliers with means to protect their interests as well.

**Pari-mutual Betting**—Would propose a number of changes in state law to help the Missouri Horse Racing Commission set up a financially successful and well-managed horse racing system.

**Regional Banking**—Would allow banks headquartered in bordering states to expand here if those states give Missouri banks similar privileges.

Legislation	Senate	House
Presidential Primary		Signed By Governor
Shorter Sessions	In Senate Committee	Approved In House
Mandatory Auto Insurance	In House Committee	In House Committee
Assessment Maintenance	In Joint Conference	In House Committee
Farm Aid	In House Committee	Signed By Governor
Health Care Cost Control	Signed By Governor	
Crime Package	Signed By Governor	
Lien Law Revisions	In Senate Committee	In Senate Committee
Pari-mutual Betting	In House Committee	In Senate Committee
Regional Banking	In House Committee	Not Introduced

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## Incumbent captures new term

Clark extends 20 year tenure, stresses need for orderly growth

By Martin Oetting  
Editor-in-chief

"I never promise two cars in every garage and a chicken in every pot."

Dr. Donald Clark, after serving over 20 years with the city of Joplin, still stands by that campaign promise. And it appears to be successful as he was re-elected to another four-year term to a general Council seat in last week's elections.

Clark, who has served as mayor since November, was re-elected to that post at Monday's Council meeting. During his 20-year tenure with the Council, he has seen many events come before the city. Among his goals for the city, Clark hopes to see Joplin become more attractive to outside parties.

"It's our responsibility as the City Council to see that we make the town as attractive as possible," Clark said. "Joplin must be a town that is inviting to the eye."

Clark listed attractive streets and homes as means of improving the city image, as well as improving the town when approaching from the four directions.

"The aesthetic quality and view of the city as you come in is very important," he said. According to Clark, some long-range plans are currently in the works, but he said he was "not at odds" to discuss them now.

Though economic growth is important, Clark stressed his opinion that industrial development is perhaps more important.

"If we attract industry and get jobs that pay better than what the unskilled workers make, then we have a buyer's and seller's market," he said. "We can't go out and crucify the fellow towns, however. Those people must retain their identity. We can't have all businesses locating in Joplin."

One problem the Council faces is meeting the needs of both business and residents, and keeping the two in harmony. When businesses move in or expand, they often request property be rezoned for their use—a situation which usually meets opposition from area residents.

"It's an awful tough job," Clark said. "The reason they do it is to get more money for the land. You can't make any money on land zoned residential. The dollar is the bottom line for those people."

Clark said he had been watching this for 20 years, and has consistently voted in favor of the property owners.

"The businesses will always find another place," he said.

Concerning the city manager issue, Clark said experience and loyalty are two qualities the person must have. After the forced resignation of former city manager

Strib Boynton, the city has been conducting a search which has attracted over 100 applicants.

"The person can't be a novice. We're too big to hire novices," Clark said. "They must have a good, working knowledge of state and federal programs, and an allegiance to the Council. They work for and are hired by the Council to manage the city. That must be what they do, and they must be loyal to the Council and the city."

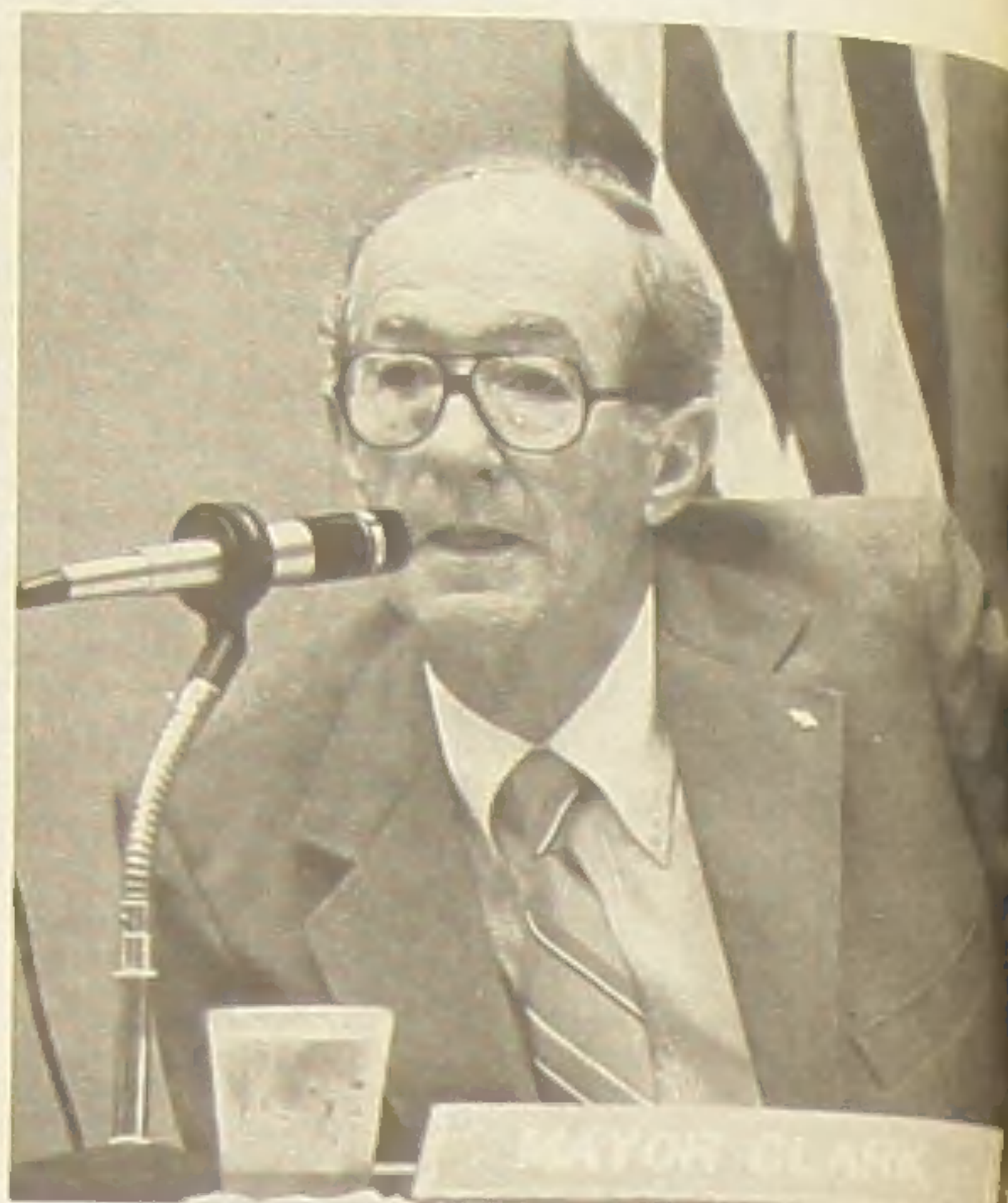
Clark, who was on the Council during the controversy last year which led to five Council member resignations, feels public awareness has improved since last year.

"I think that not only the citizens, but the new members of the Council and those candidates that ran and were not elected are acutely aware of what problems we faced," he said. "We've opened their eyes and unplugged their ears."

As for future goals for Joplin, Clark hopes to see orderly growth.

"I'm not against growth of the city or of industry, but we need to look toward diversification of industry," he said, citing the problems in Miami, Okla., with the closing of the B.F. Goodrich plant. "We must grow, but in an orderly manner."

Clark has been a podiatrist for 35 years. The father of two, he has been a resident of Joplin for 33 years.



Mayor Donald Clark believes industrial growth is the most important task for the Council. photos this page by Martin Oetting



### Responsive

William Searce believes the new Council can successfully work together, and says responsive city government is important. Searce stated that a main reason he was not among the five Council members who resigned last year was his response to the public.

## Searce desires economic growth

By Martin C. Oetting  
Editor-in-chief

When William "Bill" Searce began campaigning for a City Council post in 1980, economic and industrial development for Joplin was a strongpoint in his messages to the public.

Now, with economic development becoming somewhat of a buzzword for Council candidates, Searce still holds fast to his goal of economic development in the city.

Searce, who was re-elected to a general Council seat during last week's election, believes the new Council will be capable of working together.

"I think the new Council realizes we must work together to avoid some of the pitfalls that led to the resignation of five Council members last year," he said. "Each of us will strive to deal only with the issues and not with personalities."

In his recent campaign, Searce said he aimed his messages at meeting goals of economic development and responsive city government.

"I visualized in my mind to determine exactly what the citizens of Joplin wanted in a Council person," he said. "I aimed my

campaign meeting goals I stand for. I emphasized the strong stand I have taken on economic development, and open and responsive city government."

Searce said one reason he was not among the five members who resigned last year was because of his responsiveness in city government.

He also takes a strong stand on informing the public.

"I try to tell people what the issues are and where I stand so they understand the positions I take," he said. "All of this is done while remembering the Council is for the betterment of the town, not for the betterment of Bill Searce."

Searce listed several means of promoting economic development in Joplin.

"We must project a positive self image of ourselves and others by projecting Joplin, Mo., through the media, publications, and personal contacts as being a place where a business would either settle permanently or expand," he said. "You do this by creating the environment to cause these things to happen."

In recent Council deliberations, residents have publically opposed rezoning ordinances that allow new business to move in. Searce feels a compromise is the

only solution.

"There must be a compromise between economic and industrial growth and quality of life the citizens of our town have come to expect," he said. "Neither should be more important than the other. Occasionally the quality of life must suffer if the community is to grow, but those instances will be few and far between."

The Council is also working to hire a new city manager. Searce stated that with qualifications he feels a city manager should have.

"They should come from a community where there is a proven track record of industrial and economic growth during their tenure there," he said. "They should be flexible enough to deal with segments of population in a fair and expedient manner."

He also said a city manager should understand the relationship between citizens, the Council, himself, and staff.

No deadline has been set for hiring

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## Councilman uses 'grass roots' plan

Pullen: 'I found out that the people were ready for someone new'

By Simon P. McCaffery  
Associate Editor

Despite his self-admitted lack of "name recognition," Bobby Pullen managed to best former Joplin City Attorney George Baldrige's bid for the vacant Zone 4 seat on the City Council.

Defeating Baldrige by 569 votes, Pullen joined the Council that is still recuperating from the 1985 controversy involving the resignation of the city manager and five members of the Council.

Pullen, 46, said he decided to run for the post after closely observing the Council over a period of time.

"I've been thinking about it for about three years," Pullen said. "The turmoil in the Council encouraged me to try."

Election spirit may have touched Pullen as well.

"The incumbent didn't seem to have

any competition," he said. "I wasn't just going to let him have it."

Pullen has been a resident of Joplin for 20 years, and has "basically raised two children" here. He manages both The Owl's Nest and Kristi's at Northpark Mall, and has been associated with and worked for the mentally handicapped in the area.

Pullen's campaign strategy was really simple.

"I noticed that it seemed I could do as well a job as anyone else," he said, "although I didn't have any name recognition. I started out as just 'me' on the streets. It was really grass roots support. People called and said they liked what I was saying. I found out that people were ready for someone new."

Despite his humble beginnings, Pullen said he had been keeping a close eye on Joplin's political situation, and had waited for the most advantageous time to launch

his campaign.

"I had been watching the political activities," he said. "And I was keeping up on all activity."

After the work of the campaign, Pullen said he is glad he ran for the office, calling it a "good experience," and said he "recommended it to everyone."

Seemingly unafraid to tackle current problems facing Joplin, Pullen said he is mainly interested in preserving the quality of life in the community, while encouraging growth for Joplin.

"Being in business, I can see where rezoning could help Joplin," he said. "But we've got to work with the residential areas and make it work—a combination of rezoning and keeping the integrity of the neighborhood."

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New face Bobby Pullen acknowledges that he did not have "name recognition" in his campaign.



### Returns

Clyde Morrison returns to the Council after resigning last year. Morrison said that he believes the public is more aware of political situations in the city.

## Morrison offers 3 goals for Joplin

Returning councilman believes public is more conscious of city government

By Rob Smith  
Staff Writer

While Clyde Morrison realizes the City Council has had its problems in the past, he does not expect any internal problems in the future.

Morrison, who edged Michael Carey by only five votes last week for a Council seat, has three goals for city leaders.

"I think we should have three goals," he said. "First, that we continue our long-range dedication to economic growth. We are also in a strong financial position now. We need to maintain that, even with a loss of funding. Third, we need to restore confidence in our type of city government."

Morrison was appointed to the City Council in 1984 to take the place of Chuck Surface, who had been elected state representative. Morrison, along with four other members, resigned his Council seat in November 1985, rather than face a

recall election.

One item before the Council is filling the city manager position, which has been vacant for several months. Morrison believes the Council's job is to find a "quality person to fill the post."

"The Council picked a citizen's committee," said Morrison. "They will narrow down the best 10 or 12. We will have the last few come in for interviews and select from the three or four finalists."

"I would hope that in addition to education and experience, we would select a strong administrator. They will need to have a high degree of integrity and be dedicated to the future of Joplin. If one of the finalists is a local person, I would prefer that person."

Morrison compared the current City Council to the previous one.

"Both councils were made up of diverse backgrounds," said Morrison. "I would say that this council is business oriented. The

past two have pushed for economic growth within the city."

According to Morrison, city residents and businessmen have become more involved in city government during the past year.

"Residents are more aware of the City Council than ever before," said Morrison. "They are really conscience of the city's economic growth."

Morrison attributed part of the public interest to the coverage of the Council meetings by MSTV.

"I think Missouri Southern's coverage of the City Council is great," said Morrison. "Some of the public does not realize that they can have a say at the meetings. They can have some input."

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## Counselor

Shirley Lett, a Missouri Southern graduate, watches two kindergarten students as they explain a piece of artwork at McKinley Elementary School. As an elementary guidance counselor in the Joplin school district, Lett works with parents and teachers as well as with students.

## Chaplain provides worship services, support for patients at local hospital

By JoAnn Hollis  
Staff Writer

Providing weekly worship services and support to patients are just a few responsibilities of one Missouri Southern alumni.

Keith Jackson, chaplain at Oak Hill Hospital in Joplin, started preparing for his ministry by attending Missouri Southern. Jackson decided to study history due to several of his teachers in high school.

"I liked history in high school and it was made interesting by my good high school teachers," said Jackson. "I enjoy history and I like to read it. Civil War is my favorite. I feel it is important to know where we have come to and how where we are going."

The reason he attended Missouri Southern was the college cost factor.

"I wanted to be a minister, but I didn't afford a private school," he said. "I had to have a bachelor of science in history in order to get into a seminary, so I attended Missouri Southern majoring in history."

After graduating from Southern in 1960, he attended Southern Baptist Seminary then pastored in Indiana for several years. Jackson began his clinical education at Hillcrest Medical Center in Tulsa. After one quarter of study, he transferred to Baptist Medical Center in Oklahoma City.

In July 1984, Jackson became the first full-time chaplain at Oak Hill Hospital. Since his employment, he has been able to help with requirements in the social services department.

"I try to set a goal each day to visit with every single patient in the hospital," Jackson said. "Some of the duties that I have are worship services for patients, families, visitors, and personnel. I minister to families in code blue situations, give support to all patients, teach about religious problems that might occur with the nursing staff or the new medical students, and act as messenger between the area clergy and patients."

Jackson said the hardest thing about being the chaplain is the record keeping. The job he enjoys the most is the contact with different types of people.

"I like visiting face to face with people and ministering to their physical, as well as their emotional needs," he said. "I try to be understanding and empathetic to a patient's concerns and feelings."

Jackson said he desired a career in the ministry due to the will of God.

"I felt called by God to be a part of his ministry," he said. "I not only feel that I am serving Oak Hill Hospital, but that I am serving the Kingdom of God."

During his consultations with patients, Jackson said he always tries to bring encouragement.

"I always try to be open to the patient's point of view," he said. "I try to help pa-

tients see the alternatives by ventilating their feelings. I help them meet their problem and deal with their own spiritual and psychological strengths when meeting their needs."

Jackson believes that Missouri Southern helped him gain new insights into his career.

"I think that Missouri Southern broadened my perspective because I was with different people and observed different lifestyles in society," he said. "I think it helped me realize why I was the way I was and what I wanted to be."

As the hospital grows, Jackson would like to add another staff member for counseling services in the future. Personally, his future goals are to just keep working for the Lord.

"I want to continue in the work of the Lord and always be available for him," Jackson said. "I may not be always a hospital chaplain, but I just want to stay in the work of the Lord."

During his work in the ministry, Jackson has a philosophy he likes to follow.

"Carl Rogers, a psychologist, talks about an unconditional positive regard," he said. "I want to always meet people unconditionally and accept them no matter what. It's like the scripture 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.'"



Patrick Thompson, an alumnus of Southern, trims a model at his office. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis)

## Test prompts Thompson to enter dentistry; friends, advisors also play role in decision

By JoAnn Hollis  
Features Editor

Helping people is one of the things Dr. Patrick Thompson enjoys most about dentistry.

Thompson, who graduated from Missouri Southern in 1976 with a bachelor of science degree in biology, first leaned toward his chosen profession after a set of tests.

"I took some aptitude tests and they pointed toward the health care profession and coaching," said Thompson. "I decided to go the biology way rather than the physical education way."

Part of this decision was helped by the fact that he wanted to do something in health that would help people directly.

"I had, for the first three years, been leaning more toward medicine than dentistry," he said.

However, after talking with advisors and friends, Thompson decided on dentistry rather than medicine during his junior year at Southern.

Because he was working while attending Southern, he said he was not as active in college as he had been in high school.

"I was working full-time as a sports writer at the Globe and that took up my time in the evening," said Thompson.

Still, he found time to be a member of Tri Beta, a biology club, and Phi Theta Kappa. Somewhere during all this he also found the time to study until graduated summa cum laude.

## Lett relates to people

By JoAnn Hollis

Inspirational teachers and an interest in people led Shirley Lett to the profession of teaching.

Graduating from Missouri Southern in 1970 with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education, Lett is now an elementary guidance counselor in the Joplin school district. She said the first teacher who influenced her toward teaching was her fourth grade teacher.

"She was strict but very kind," said Lett.

When entering the first grade Lett was shy and upset about going to class. At that time her sister was in the fourth grade. Trying to make her feel better, her sister's teacher had her draw a picture, and she liked to draw. When Lett got to the fourth grade she had the same teacher as her sister, and that teacher pulled from her drawer the picture she had had her draw in the first grade. She had saved it all that time.

"She really cared about kids and that made quite an impression," Lett said.

Later, when studying at Southern, Lett had an instructor who told her that she would make a good counselor.

"I decided then that that's what I wanted to do," she said.

After graduating from Southern she went on to Southwest Missouri State University, receiving her master of science degree in elementary guidance counseling in 1976.

Another deciding factor for Lett is the fact that she is people oriented and enjoys

working with people.

"Teaching seemed to be the fill that fit for me," she said.

Now completing her 11th year as an elementary guidance counselor, she serves three schools in acting as the counselor for approximately 750 students.

"I provide both individual and group, preventive and remedial counseling, and act as a resource to both parents and teachers," she said.

As a certified psychological examiner, Lett also conducts individual testing and serves as a staff member in making placement decisions.

"It's so unpredictable you really don't know what is going to transpire," she said.

Lett enjoys this aspect of her job. She said that her schedule is always changing.

"Everyday is a new day," she said.

Having been in the second graduating class from Southern after it became a four-year college, she feels that she was well prepared for her career.

"We were paving the way for future students," said Lett.

This point was stressed to her class, and Lett feels that as a result students learned to conduct themselves in a professional manner.

Having a record of being active in many organizations, she is now primarily active in the American Business Women's Association. In her spare time she enjoys activities such as quilt making and yardwork.

"I like to restore and collect antiques," she added.



Keith Jackson, chaplain at Oak Hill Hospital, visits with a patient during his daily rounds. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis)

After leaving Southern, Thompson went on to dental school at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He graduated in 1980 as a doctor of dental surgery.

Thompson said he did not feel that he was at a disadvantage when he was attending UMKC, but felt the strong biology department at Southern had prepared him well for his graduate studies.

practice and with spending time with his family, Thompson still finds time for his alma mater. He is currently a Lionbacker, a member of the alumni association, and active in the athletic department.

"I serve as at least one of the team dentists for the athletic department," he said. In this position he helps the athletes when a dental emergency occurs.

**"I'd do it again the same way. I think Southern made me appreciate the value of a good education. Without that, who knows what I'd be doing today."**

**—Patrick Thompson**

"Since dentistry is a scientific oriented profession, I felt I got a very good background in science at Southern," he said. "I'd do it again the same way."

"I think Southern made me appreciate the value of a good education," Thompson said. "Without that, who knows what I'd be doing today."

Owning a general practice in Joplin, he treats people of all ages, usually starting at age three and going up.

"The best thing is doing something the people appreciate," said Thompson. "Doing something that improves the situation that they were in when they got here."

He said this could range from relieving their pain to improving their smile.

Even though he is kept busy with his

Thompson is also active in the community. He is a member of the Joplin Board of Health, the Webb City-Carl Junction Rotary Club, the Joplin Area Business Club, and the First United Methodist Church. In the church he is a member of the administrative board, president of his Sunday school class, and coach of the softball team.

When talking of entering the field of dentistry today, Thompson pointed out that it is important to be aware of the fact that the profession is changing rapidly and that one must research what the expected demand will be in later years.

"At this point dentistry is fairly saturated," he said.



# Spotlight



## Discusses problems

Dr. Larry Martin, head of the mathematics department, discusses the problems the department is having in recruiting new teachers to the college. According to Martin, the main problem in recruiting is that there is a decline in the number of teacher prospects because they are being attracted to industry. (Chart photo by JoAnn Hollis)

## Martin finds recruiting of mathematics faculty a more difficult process

By Mark Ernstmann  
Campus Editor

With the number of prospects decreasing, the recruitment of mathematics faculty members for Missouri Southern is becoming more difficult.

"The main problem is a decreasing pool of prospects," said Dr. Larry Martin, head of the mathematics department. "Larger universities will not feel the shortage, but here we will be in a very tough position."

"To be analogous, it's like the situation in the high schools. Joplin High School will not feel the shortage, but smaller schools in the area that cannot offer as much money will lose their instructors to the bigger schools."

The declining number of teaching prospects is due mainly to the fact that they are attracted by industries. Industry has more to offer in the ways of research and salary.

The recruitment process is a difficult one for an institution the size of Southern. According to Martin, it takes a special type of candidate to be interested in teaching at a four-year school, and he believes that Southern has some positive offerings for those candidates.

"Most people that contact us are looking for a smaller school," said Martin. "We emphasize teaching rather than research. Those that need more research will go to a major university. But we offer a good place to live in a mid-size community."

"We also offer a staff that gets along, and a good place to work. But we just can't say these things, we must actually show them these benefits."

Martin believes that salary plays a great deal in "catching the eye" of a prospect.

"The salary here is average to above average," Martin said. "It is higher than

some other universities, but still, people might go somewhere else for less money for prestige, research, and opportunities."

As for research, Martin says that as an instructor having to carry a total load of 12 hours per semester, it is not feasible to do much research.

"In math, you can do research at your own desk, but it is not realistic," he said. "There's not time. But there are things you can do, such as preparing papers, original writings, and giving talks."

The department is currently advertising for a permanent full-time faculty member. It now has 10 full-time members.

In recruiting, advertisements are placed in various mathematical journals and in *The Chronicle for Higher Education*. Martin has also gone on recruiting to conventions and fairs for mathematics prospects, and reports that these have been very successful.

"We need another faculty member," Martin said. "We need help with our upper division courses, and in our more complicated courses."

With the advertisement, Southern is looking for someone with "a deep degree with breadth in mathematics, evidence of outstanding teaching ability."

"We want concrete evidence that a prospect has ability," said Martin. "We want evidence from student evaluation and classroom behavior."

As for the recruitment of instructors, Martin believes the administration at Southern has been helpful.

"The administration has been very supportive," he said, "in trying new ideas to help attract prospects."

## Weather attracts Foreman to Southern Entire department impresses new mathematics instructor

By Gina Williams  
Staff Writer

It was not just Missouri Southern that lured David Foreman to the four-state area. The weather also played a role.

"I spent a couple of years teaching in Indiana while I was working on my master's," said Foreman, "and I liked the climate. So when I started applying for jobs, I applied to several in the region."

"I really liked the fact that there are four seasons," he said. "There is also less humidity than in southern Louisiana, where I am from."

The weather may have been what attracted the assistant professor of mathematics to Southern, but it was the mathematics department that persuaded him to come.

"When I visited the campus, I was looking for a school that was teacher oriented," he said. "The universities are really research oriented. I had done research, but I don't enjoy it as much as

I do teaching and being in the classroom with students."

"I was really impressed with the math department as a whole," he added. "The members of the department are good teachers and good mathematicians. We get along real well, and everybody is supportive of each other. The department head is also very supportive of us all."

This semester Foreman is teaching beginning algebra, calculus, linear algebra, and two hours in the Learning Center.

"I'm working in the Learning Center because teachers are required to teach 12 hours a semester," he said. "I've only got 11 hours of teaching with the classes, so I work two hours there."

Foreman received his bachelor of arts degree from Baylor University, his master's from Indiana University, and his Ph.D. from Louisiana State University.

He says that he did not always want to be a teacher, but he enjoyed the teaching he did while working on his master's

degree.

Although he does not really have a philosophy toward teaching, he does have goals.

"I want to present the material so that students can understand it," he said. "I want to motivate the students to learn, and encourage them. I also want to give them confidence in themselves, and maybe even get them to like math. I try to convince them that there is some significance to the material that I am trying to teach them."

"I really expect a lot from my students," he said. "I find that if you don't expect much, then they won't give you much."

As far as a philosophy toward life is concerned, Foreman relies on his Christian background.

"I am a Christian, and I try to live my life as God would have me," he said. "I try to be of service to God first, then others."

## Mathematics provides a broad foundation

Many areas of employment will be available to senior Jeff Jenness

By JoAnn Hollis  
Features Editor

Broadening his job opportunities is one reason Jeff Jenness combined mathematics and computer science into a double major.

"I just really started getting interested in computer science about a year ago," said Jenness, a senior at Missouri Southern, "because there are so many opportunities for math majors in that field."

Interested in the sciences in general, Jenness chose mathematics as his first choice.

"I enjoyed mathematics and it was one of my best subjects," he said in reference to high school.

Planning on attending graduate school after leaving Southern, he has applied to the University of Missouri-Columbia, the University of Missouri-Rolla, the University of Colorado, and the University of Texas.

"I've been accepted at Colorado," said Jenness.

Texas is waiting to see the scores on his graduate record exam, while UMC and UMR have both expressed an interest.

Although busy with studies and employment with engineering firm White Industries Seismology, he still finds time to be active on campus. He is currently a member of the math club and Kappa Mu Epsilon, an honorary mathematics society.

"This semester I presented a paper at the regional Kappa Mu Epsilon meeting," he said.

Being chosen to make this presentation

was an honor. Jenness explained that an instructor gave him a mathematics problem and asked him to solve it. This solution was written out as a formal presentation and given at the convention.

"The committee chooses the best papers, and then the papers are presented and judged," he said.

According to Jenness, this presentation is made to a panel of judges and all those in attendance. Between eight and 11 colleges are represented at the meeting, and only four papers are chosen to be presented and judged.

Another honor which he has received

he can choose appeals to Jenness.

"It's really open ended; that's what I like about the math part of it," said Jenness. "Mathematics gives me a real broad foundation as to what I can do."

He includes the fields of physics, engineering, computer science, business as examples of areas which are available to him with his degree.

"I've thought about teaching mathematics," he said.

One campus activity which Jenness seems to particularly enjoy is the math club.

"I really like the math club," he said.

**"I just really started getting interested in computer science about a year ago because there are so many opportunities for math majors in that field."**

—Jeff Jenness



## Programs

Jeff Jenness, mathematics and computer science major, works on a program.

is scoring on the Putnam Exam.

"It's an undergraduate mathematics competition, and it's given to all undergraduate mathematics students all over the nation," Jenness explained.

Jenness said that only the top 50 percent of those who take the test score at all. All others receive a score of zero.

"The top 500 are solicited for graduate school," he said. "It's a real important test."

Having a variety of fields from which

"We've had a lot of fun."

While most mathematics students think that there are not many activities available to them, he pointed out that the club offers many activities such as a picnic, a Christmas party, and an end of year party.

"There are a lot of things that the math club does," said Jenness. "I got involved fairly late, and at this point I wish I would have gotten involved sooner."



# Arts tempo

## O'Neill's 'Ah, Wilderness!' to open in Taylor

*Ah, Wilderness!*, Eugene O'Neill's classic comedy, will open Wednesday and continue until Saturday, April 19 in the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Certain times for the Missouri Southern theatre production are 8 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for senior citizens and all children.

Duane Hunt, assistant professor, will direct this play set in New England during the summer of 1906.

The play centers around a

rebellious adolescent male who discovers love, disappointment, and life's travails as well as its joys.

O'Neill, considered by many authorities as America's greatest playwright, displays his best abilities in this warm comedy of a young boy and a young nation growing together.

The production has been rated PG by the theatre department.

The three settings of *Ah, Wilderness!* include a New England family dining room and parlor, a saloon, and a seashore scene.

Scenographers for this last production of the 1985-86 season are Sam Claussen, assistant professor of theatre, and Brenda Jackson, senior.

Student assistants on construction include Karen Hill, Lyle Burrow, Richard Wood, Linda Pierson-Priester, Lea Wolfe, and Chuck Good.

Joyce Bowman, assistant professor, and her student assistants created the early 20th century costumes. Her assistants include

Susan Thomas, Sandi Ottopoby, David Stockton, Travis Reed, and Todd Yearnton.

Linda Pierson-Priester, stage manager, and her assistant, Janet Beaucamp, will aid Hunt in directing the play.

Kevin Babbitt will play Richard Miller, the 17-year-old son around which the play revolves.

Other members of the 15-member cast include Lyndall Burrow as Nat Miller, Brenda Jackson as his wife, James Carter, Shawn Cammes, and Barbara Aileen

Finney as the other Miller children.

*Ah, Wilderness!* also features Todd Yearnton as Sid Davis, Jennifer Mountjoy as Lilly Miller, Ross Stuckey as a merchant, Karen Hill as his daughter, and David Kirksey as Wint Selby.

The cast is rounded out with other townspeople played by Christina Burkhardt, Lea Wolfe, Bill Wiles, James White, Doug Meister, and Jeff Hale.

James Black is the master electrician and Matt Elledge is the sound engineer for the production.

## Theatre society finishes collage

Documenting the history of the 1956-67 theatre productions at Joplin Junior College, Alpha Psi Omega has completed its third annual photo collage.

"Alpha Psi Omega is an honorary theatre society," said Joyce Bowman, assistant professor of theatre. "Two years ago we did collages of 1976-83 theatre productions at Taylor Auditorium. Last year we did three large collages of the 1967-76 Barn Theatre productions."

This year's two collages will feature photos from various plays including *Little Mary Sunshine* and *The Diary of Anne Frank*.

Some of the former actors represented are Jim Lobby, Larry Meachum, and Dr. Judith Conboy.

"The older ones are hanging in the hallway so people who come to see the plays can step out of the lobby to look at them," said Bowman. "We hope to set up, later, an identification of the photos so viewers can identify the actors."

Bowman said the eight members of the society began with the most recent and worked backwards for two reasons: because of the availability of the photos and because it gives students a chance to see the productions they have worked in.

"Each year a collage for the past year is added to the collection in the Green Room," said Bowman. "These are the more recent years which the department keeps up to date."

Alpha Psi Omega's members include Leslie Bowman, Pam Lutes, Tim Wilson, Brenda Jackson, Linda Priester, Lea Wolfe, Kyle Pierce, and Todd Yearnton.



Reception

An opening reception for Edward Wong-Ligda's one-man exhibit of paintings and drawings was held Friday at Artworks of Joplin. The exhibit includes 20 of his works.

## One-man exhibit continues in Joplin

Paintings and drawings by Edward Wong-Ligda will continue to be on display through April 30 at Artworks at 512 Joplin Street.

The one-man show exhibits 20 of his works from the last 10 years, including a seven-foot painting of a pregnant lady.

"All are figurative works, and are fairly realistic paintings of people," he said.

Wong-Ligda most enjoys creating paintings or drawings featuring people.

"They have the most meaning for me," he said. "A person has a lot more meaning for me than a tree."

Wong-Ligda said people shouldn't come expecting only happy scenes. Although some of the scenes are joyful, others tend to be more depressing.

## 'Gung Ho' suffers from stereotypes

### In Review:

By Simon P. McCaffery

*Gung Ho* (PG-13)

Three may be a charm for most people, but apparently not for director and producer (and *Happy Days* kid) Ron Howard. After the successful *Splash* and *Cocoon*, his new comedy *Gung Ho* should be re-titled "So So" or "No Go."

Not that Howard didn't try. *Gung Ho* should have had every chance to make a go of the film. The cast, led by the energetic Michael Keaton, is a good one. But what happens here is the same

plague that has wilted every recent comedy—a lack of good direction and a good screenplay.

*Gung Ho* is a familiar story, perhaps too familiar. The town of Hadleyville, Pa., is about to dry up because the big boys in Detroit are shutting down the auto plant, a move that will doom the town.

Keaton to the rescue? As Hunt Stevenson (who thinks up these names?), he makes a humorous journey to Japan to convince Assan Motors to open a plant in Hadleyville and save the day.

The Japanese arrive, but the humor departs. Lowell Ganz and Babaloo Mandel's tedious script exhausts the audience with relentless stereotypes of the strict, hardwork-

ing Japanese versus the sloppy, beer guzzling Americans who are used to making \$20 an hour screwing on radio knobs.

The clash of culture and beliefs abound, and after a while you become convinced you are watching a documentary played for laughs. There are some humorous scenes, but only when the film allows Keaton to relax and settle into his own lip rhythm.

*Gung Ho* eventually grinds through two hours to a shambles of an end—predictable and contemptible. Keaton, the nice guy who did all the wrong things for the right reasons, is our hero again, and Assan Motors is a winner.

This film certainly had potential,

but the story strangled any chance of getting a few laughs in. To Keaton, better luck next time. To Ron, better luck next time, and to Ganz and Mandel, attend David Letterman's University.

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## Morrison

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Council meetings deal with rezoning property. Morrison felt it was a Council member's job to be totally objective. He said that he spends time before every meeting visiting possible rezoning locations.

"When you have two groups that see the same issue differently, you can't worry about stepping on someone's toes," said Morrison. "They may both have strong points in their argument, but the Council has to decide."

Morrison feels the city needs a

more modern zoning plan. He said the current plan has not been updated for several years.

"We need a plan," said Morrison. "It is prepared by professionals. You have to have a good plan for fire safety and you have other things to look at. I like the planned district."

Financing for Morrison's campaign came mostly from friends and supporters.

"Most people that like a candidate make a \$10 to \$25 donation," he said. "I campaigned through the

mail and did some limited television and newspaper operations."

Morrison has been co-owner of Norman Electronics in Joplin for the past nine years. He has been employed there for 24 years.

"I was a CPA with the Thomas Cusack firm for 10 years," said Morrison.

Morrison attended Joplin public school. He spent two years at Joplin Junior College before going to Pittsburg State University, where he received a bachelor's degree in

business administration. He also did some graduate work at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.

Morrison's wife, Barbara, is a former president of the alumni association at Southern. They have two children, Scott and Kelly. Scott is employed by Empire District Electric Company. Kelly is a physical education major at Southwest Missouri State University.

## Scearce

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city manager, and Scearce believes there should not be one.

"I hope there will not be because the city manager is the most important person the Council employs, and we should take as much time as necessary to make sure we get the best city manager for Joplin," he said.

Scearce compared the current Council with the one of last year.

"We are stronger because we have a desire to openly discuss all subjects, and to deal only with those subjects. We do not deal with individual personalities," he said. "It was the opposite before. People dealt with personalities, not the issues themselves. There were personal attacks on each other which often took precedence over the issue at hand. Another undermining effect was the perception that many decisions made were made prior to the Council meetings. As hard as I tried, I was a little guilty of it, too."

personal attacks were made "at different people's weak spots. If someone attacks you at a weak spot, your immediate response is to attack back."

With all the controversy behind, Scearce has several things in mind for Joplin in the coming years.

"I would like to see a consolidation between Joplin and some of the outlying villages, towns, and communities," he said. "I would also like to see a population of between 60,000 and 70,000, a planned transportation system to move people fast and efficiently, and a stronger industrial base with a multitude of medium-sized industry."

Scearce referred to the current situation in nearby Miami, Okla., where the closing of the B.F. Goodrich tire plant caused major problems. What he says Joplin must avoid is having only a few companies employing a large number of workers. Diversifica-

tion, he says, means many medium-sized businesses.

On the subject of transportation, Scearce said he would also like to see a joint air transportation system linking Joplin with surrounding communities. A tax structure based on sales tax and user fees is also a goal of his.

"I don't know if we're going in that direction, but I hope we are moving that way," he said. "If not, I want someone to call me and tell me what I'm doing wrong, or what I can do to do more to meet those goals."

Scearce owns Shank Army Surplus on Main Street in Joplin. He has been a Joplin resident since 1968, and served as the city parks and recreation director for several years. He is father of four children, ages 6 to 22.

## Pullen

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Pullen also believes that preserving the "quality of life" will prove attractive to industries moving into the area and further growth in the area.

"Industry looks at the quality of life of the neighborhood," he said. "They want the same quality we do. The Council is committed to getting new industry—to have that is part of the definition of economic development."

In line with Pullen's strong feelings of an attractive community, he said he believes the current Council is siding with Joplin residents.

Another goal Pullen hopes the Council can achieve is to have a harmonious working atmosphere.

"We are going to try maintaining harmony," he said. "We are going to try to be big enough that we won't be vindictive. We should maintain honesty among Council members."

## Recital on tap

Louis Rojas, a Cuban artist-in-residence at the School of the Ozarks, will present a piano recital at 8 p.m. today in Phinney Hall.

Rojas has performed with the Havana National Symphony in Cuba as well as major orchestras throughout the United States.

Sponsored by the Missouri Southern music department, the recital will include works by Bach, Chopin, and Liszt.

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## Softball

### Upcoming Games (Home games in all caps)

4-11	Washburn Inv.	TBA
4-12	Washburn Inv.	TBA
4-14	MO. VALLEY	3:00
4-16	SW Baptist	2:30
4-16	William Wood	4:00
4-18	Mo. West. Inv.	TBA
4-19	Mo. West. Inv.	TBA
4-22	PITTSBURG ST.	2:00
4-25	CSIC Tourney	TBA
4-26	CSIC Tourney	TBA

## Notice:

The dedication of the Lea Kungle Softball Field has been postponed until Monday because of wet grounds. The ceremony will take place prior to the 3 p.m. start of a doubleheader with Missouri Valley. The field is located east of Fred G. Hughes Stadium.



## Baseball

### Upcoming Games (Home games in all caps)

4-9	EVANGEL	4:00
4-12	Evangel	12:00
4-14	Oral Roberts	2:30
4-16	Oklahoma St.	6:00
4-17	S. OF OZARKS	4:00
4-20	MO. WESTERN	1:30
4-25	CSIC Tourney	TBA
4-26	CSIC Tourney	TBA
4-29	SW MO. STATE	6:00
4-30	Arkansas Univ.	6:00



## Football

The annual varsity-alumni game will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in Hughes Stadium. Some 40 former players are expected to return for the annual contest.



### Intramurals Spring Itinerary: Softball

Season began this week. Season ends May 1.

### Golf

Sign-up deadline is April 25. Tournament day to be announced.

# The sports scene

## Lions take pair from district foe

Scott Lutan's game-winning RBI helped Missouri Southern sweep Evangel College in an NAIA District 16 doubleheader yesterday.

Southern took the first game 9-2 and picked up the second game 3-2.

The Lions were down 2-1 in the second game when they came up to bat in the sixth inning. Rick Berg walked with one out, and Mike Hagedorn, who went 2-for-2, followed with another walk.

Brian Taylor, in a pinch-hitting role, belted a single which scored Berg and advanced Hagedorn to third before Lutan came to bat.

Tim Williams, 5-2, picked up the win for the Lions. He had seven strikeouts. Williams, who pitched all seven innings, allowed just five hits and gave up five walks.

In the first game, Dennis Shanks also went the distance, pitching seven innings and giving up four hits and three walks.

Southern pounded out eight hits, most of which came in the fourth inning when the Lions collected seven runs.

Joe Janiak hit a two-run single, and Kevin Marsh hit a two-run double in that inning. Marsh's double was the only extra-base hit for the Lions.

Southern is now 14-2 in District 16 play, and 23-19 overall. The Lions have won four in a row and are four games over .500 for just the second time this season.

Evangel, 9-20-1, will get a rematch when it hosts the Lions in a doubleheader Saturday.

The Lions travel to Tulsa for a single game Monday with Oral Roberts University. The Titans were eighth in last week's Collegiate Baseball/ESPN Top 20.



### Winning record

Pitcher Cheryl Shelby now has a 10-3 record for the Lady Lions. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

## Southern hosts golf tourney

This weekend, Missouri Southern hosts the 17th annual Crossroads of America Golf Tournament.

The tournament, set to begin at 7:30 a.m. today, is being played at the Loma Linda and Twin Hills country clubs in Joplin.

The 36-hole event will include 29 teams, highlighted by seven of last year's top 10 finishers.

The 1985 champion, the University of Tulsa, will not return to defend its title, but Southwestern Oklahoma State University, which finished second in 1985, will be present.

Southern's Lions tied for ninth

among the 23-team field at last week's William Jewell College Invitational in Liberty, Mo., posting a team total of 641 to finish 28 strokes behind the winning 613 score turned in by Central College of Iowa.

The Lions were led individually by Byron Keith, a sophomore from Carthage, who tied for 10th place with a 36-hole total of 155 (74-81).

Lowell Catron, another sophomore from Carthage, finished with 159 (79-80). Kirk Neill, a sophomore from Lockwood, finished with a 162 (83-79).

### The way I see it:

## Basketball players must learn to pull drawstrings tight



By Shaun LePage  
Sports Editor

As the basketball season fades away and we move into baseball, softball, golf, and whatever else people do in the rain, I'd like to share a few of my favorite basketball stories.

All of these stories deal with perhaps the most embarrassing moments young athletes have endured. They are supposedly true. I have heard them all from people who claim to be eyewitnesses, or have relatives who were eyewitnesses.

The names have been changed to protect the poor guys who might be extremely embarrassed if I used their real names.

My first story, boys and girls, happened at another college far, far away. A young man, we'll call him Ray, was playing in a basketball game in front of 5,000 people.

Ray was not a very tall person. He played point guard for this particular basketball team.

At one point in the ballgame, Ray attempted to draw a charging foul from a much bigger player. Ray got and was determined to hold his ground.

When the bigger player collided with Ray, Ray began to stumble backward. Gravity got the best of Ray and sent him plunging bottom first onto the floor.

When Ray hit the floor he slid backward, but his shorts did not. His shorts stayed in the spot where Ray originally hit the floor. In front of a few thousand people, Ray was sitting there, in an airy athletic supporter, a few feet away from his shorts.

I ask you, how would you handle this situation?

Ray calmly stood up and walked over to his shorts, slid them back on and continued to play. If you think about it, what

else could he have done?

I was an eyewitness to a similar event a few years ago.

Our team had finished warming up for a basketball game, and one of my teammates walked over to our bench and began taking off his warm-ups. He unzipped his top and took it off without incident.

Then, he grabbed his warm-up pants at the waist and began to pull them off, too. What he didn't realize was that he had not only grabbed the waist of his warm-up pants, but had also grabbed the waist of his playing shorts.

When he did realize what he had done, it was too late. He had pulled his shorts down to his knees, with his back to a few hundred people, inadvertently showing them the brand of athletic supporter he wore.

He quickly pulled his shorts back up and looked around to see if anyone had noticed. If they hadn't, they were sure to notice how red his face was.

My final story (for now) was relayed to me by one of my former coaches. If I don't have the details exactly right, please

excuse me, but it has been several years since I heard this tale.

A college basketball team was on a road trip, and one of the "bench" players (we'll call him Mitch) was digging through his duffle bag in the locker room and realized that he had forgotten to bring his shorts along. As a "bench" player, Mitch seldom took off his warm-up pants anyway, so he decided that he would just wear his warm-up pants. No one would ever know. Especially not the coach, who would probably be upset if he found out that Mitch had forgotten part of his uniform.

Everything was going fine with just a few minutes remaining in the game. Mitch even talked a young fan into getting him a bag of popcorn, so he could really enjoy the rest of the game.

However, one of the other players had secretly informed the coach that Mitch had forgotten his shorts and that his warm-up pants were a more vital part of his uniform than usual.

The coach found all of this amusing and decided to teach Mitch a lesson. With very little time remaining, the coach called out Mitch's name, which meant that he was putting him into the ballgame.

My sources tell me that popcorn flew everywhere and then the coach let Mitch squirm through an explanation of why he shouldn't be put in the game on that particular night.

The way I see it, the moral of these three stories is: Pull that drawstring real tight and expect the unexpected. Or, always be a clean athletic supporter, because you never know.

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